

# **MINUTES**

**of the**

## **18<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

**of the**

## **RESEARCH COUNCIL**

**held on**

**JULY 26, 2011**



**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
**Maidan Garhi, New Delhi – 110 068**

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## **MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE RESEARCH COUNCIL, HELD ON JULY 26, 2011 AT 10.30 P.M. AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF NEW VCO COMPLEX, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110 068.**

The following were present:

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| 1. Prof. K.R. Srivathsan,<br>Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU                                                            | : Chairperson (I/c) |
| 2. Prof. S.B. Singh Bhadauria,<br>Member, BOM, IGNOU                                                               | : Member            |
| 3. Prof. Veena Vinayak Thakare,<br>Member, BOM, IGNOU                                                              | : Member            |
| 4. Prof. J Shashidhara Prasad,<br>Vice-Chancellor, Sri Sathaya Sai Higher Institute of<br>Learning, Anantapur, A.P | : Member            |
| 5. Prof. Kamal K Dwivedi,<br>Vice Chancellor, APJ Stya University, Sohna                                           | : Member            |
| 6. Prof. Joseph Dorairaj,<br>Dept. of English, GRU, Dindigul, TamilNadu                                            | : Member            |
| 7. Prof. Gopinath Pradhan,<br>Director, SOSS, IGNOU                                                                | : Member            |
| 8. Prof. B.K. Pattanaik,<br>Director, SOEDS, IGNOU                                                                 | : Member            |
| 9. Dr. Geeta Kaicker,<br>Director , SOS, IGNOU                                                                     | : Member            |
| 10. Prof. M.K. Salooja,<br>Director, SOA                                                                           | : Member            |
| 11. Dr.S.N. Ambedkar,<br>Regional Director, IGNOU, Jaipur,                                                         | : Member            |
| 12. Dr. Babu P Ramesh,<br>Reader SOITS, IGNOU                                                                      | : Member            |
| 13. Dr.Hemlata,<br>Dy.Director, NCDS, IGNOU                                                                        | : Member            |
| 14. Prof. Sunil Kumar,<br>Director, SOPVA                                                                          | : Special Invitee   |
| 15. Prof.Vibha Joshi,<br>Director, SOE                                                                             | : Special Invitee   |
| 16. Dr. V.Venugopal Reddy,<br>Director, Research Unit – Member Secretary                                           | : Convener          |

Dr. V. Venugopal Reddy, Member Secretary conveyed message of (Vide letter VC/IV-07/11, dated 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011) the Chairperson of the Research Council that he could not Chair the Research Council meeting due to some very urgent meeting with

the Ministry and hence Prof.K.R. Srivathsan, PVC, Chaired the meeting being the senior most member among PVCs, who could attend the meeting.

Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU, Dr. B.S. Sudhindra, Director, RSD , Prof. Mohamed Miyan, VC, MANUU, Hyderabad, , Head, NCSTC (DST), New Delhi could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman (I/c) 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 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 and note the Action Taken thereon.**

- RC.18.1.1 The Minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council (RC) held on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 were circulated to members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council.
- RC.18.1.2 The Research Council considered and approved the Minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Further the Research Council noted the Action Taken Report of the 17<sup>th</sup> RC and confirmed the minutes.

**ITEM NO.2 To consider and approve the Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council's Standing Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 and note the Action Taken thereon.**

- RC.18.2.1 The Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Research Council's Standing Committee held 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 were circulated to the members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council Standing Committee (RCSC).
- RC.18.2.2 The Research Council noted the Action Taken Report of the Minutes of the 09<sup>th</sup> Research Council's Standing Committee and confirmed the minutes.

**ITEM No.3 To consider and approve the Course Work for Ph.D in Theatre Arts, Music and Fine Arts (SOPVA).**

- RC 18.3.1 The 8<sup>th</sup> School Board of School of Performing and Visual Arts held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 approved the Phase 3 forms and syllabi for Course Work for Ph.D. in Theatre Arts, Music and Fine Arts.
- RC 18.3.2 The members suggested that the nomenclature Bridge-courses should be replaced with Audit Courses. Such courses will not have any credit value.

RC 18.3.3 The Research Council considered and approved the Course Work and Audit Courses (without credit weightage) for Ph.D in Theatre Arts, Music and Fine Arts.

**ITEM 4 To consider and approve recognition of Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MPCST), Bhopal as Research Centre of IGNOU.**

RC 18.4.1 A Committee consists of the following visited **Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MPCST), Bhopal** during November 2010 to examine the infra-structural facilities available in the institute:

1. Prof.K.R. Srivathsan, PVC – Chairman
2. Prof. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS
3. Prof. S.S. Hasan, SOS
4. Prof.K.S. Tiwari, RD, IGNOU RC, Bhopal

RC 18.4.2 Based on the faculty and infrastructure availability, the Committee recommended MPCST's proposal to recognize it as a Research Centre of IGNOU for the following research programmes:

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|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Geo-spatial Technology                       | 2. Geo-informatics                 | 3. Biotechnology    |
| 4. Applied Intelligence and Pattern Recognition | Artificial and Pattern Development | 5. Integrated Rural |

RC 18.4.3 The Research Council considered and approved Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MPCST), Bhopal as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting Ph.D Programmes in the above areas.

**ITEM 5 To consider and approve recognition of Agappe R&D Centre, Ernakulum as Research Centre of IGNOU.**

RC 18.5.1 A Committee consists of the following visited Agappe R&D Centre, Ernakulum, Kerala on 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2011 to examine the infra-structural facilities available in the institute:

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Prof. S.S. Hasan, SOS | .... Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. T.K. Jena       | .... Member      |

RC 18.5.2 Based on the availability of infrastructure and capability of conducting research programmes, the committee recommended the following research programmes under the RRC concept:

- i. Ph.D in Bio-Chemistry; and

- ii. Ph.D in Immunology
- RC 18.5.3 The Research Council considered and approved Agappe R&D Centre, Ernakulum as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting Ph.D Programmes in the above areas.
- ITEM 6 To consider and approve award of Gold medals to toppers in M.Phil Programmes.**
- RC 18.6.1 The members of the Research Council considered the item taking in to consideration level and nature of programme and agreed not to recommend Medals to toppers in M.Phil or Ph.D programmes.
- ITEM 7 To consider and ratify proposal to start Ph.D in Geology Programme for Category 'A' from January 2012 cycle (SOS).**
- RC 18.7.1 It was submitted that the Discipline of Geology, School of Sciences proposed to start Ph.D (Geology) Programme for Category 'A' from January 2012 cycle. In this regard the 42<sup>nd</sup> School Board of School of Sciences held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 approved the Phase 1 form and syllabus for Course Work for Ph.D. in Geology.
- RC 18.7.2 The Research Council considered and ratified the proposal to start Ph.D in Geology Programme for Category 'A' from January 2012 cycle.
- ITEM 8 To consider and approve the Course Work for Ph.D in Geology (SOS).**
- RC 18.8.1 The 42<sup>nd</sup> School Board of School of Sciences held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 approved the Phase 1 form and syllabus for Course Work for Ph.D. in Geology.
- RC 18.8.2 The members felt that this item is part of Item No.7, hence suggested to withdraw it.
- RC 18.8.3 The Research Council considered and approved suggestion of the members.
- ITEM 9 To consider and approve admission of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D (Category B) in Translation Studies for July 2011 (SOTST).**
- RC 18.9.1 The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 25.05.2011 recommended the following candidates for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D Programme (Category B) in Translation Studies for July 2011:

**For M.Phil:**

1. Ms. Kalpana Varma
2. Ms. Poornima Tiwari (provisional admission)

### **For Ph.D (Category B)**

1. Mr. Dheeraj Kumar Mishra
2. Mr. Prakash Chandra Jha
3. Ms. Arti Anupam (provisional admission)
4. Ms. Shabnam Saheen (provisional admission)
5. Ms. Sudipta Choudhry

The minutes of the Doctoral Committee was approved by the School Board through circulation.

The detailed proposal for admission in the prescribed proforma **(Annexure 18.9.1)** is enclosed.

- RC 18.9.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D (Category B) in Translation Studies for July 2011 as proposed above.

**ITEM 10 To consider and approve the Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students in the Disciplines of Hindi, English, Tamil and Gujarati (SOH).**

- RC 18.10.1 The 42<sup>nd</sup> School Board approved the Progress Reports of the following Ph.D students in the Disciplines of Hindi, English, Tamil and Gujarati:

| Sl No | Name                                           | Discipline | Period                  |
|-------|------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 1.    | Ms. Smita Mishra, RTA 093575750                | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 2.    | Ms. Anamika Yadav, RTA 093575711               | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 3.    | Ms. Asmita Sharma, RTA 093575743               | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 4.    | Mr. Wavalkar Shivdatta Bajirao, RTA, 093575782 | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 5.    | Ms. Rekha Kurre, RTA, 093575790                | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 6.    | Ms. Namita Satyen, RTA, 093575729              | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 7.    | Mr. Prashant Kumar, 062400077                  | Hindi      | Sept 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 8.    | Mr. Pramod Meena, 093754156                    | Hindi      | June 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 9.    | Ms. Rambha Tripathy, 093754440                 | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 10.   | Mr. Rameshwar Dayal, 093754385                 | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 11.   | Ms. Amita Pandey, 097327410                    | Hindi      | June 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 12.   | Ms. Sarita, 093754425                          | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 13.   | Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Jain, 093754267              | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 14.   | Ms. Rajwanti, 093754250                        | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 15.   | Mr. Santosh Gupta, 097327552                   | Hindi      | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 16.   | Ms. Archana, 093492153                         | Hindi      | --                      |
| 17.   | Mr. Trivedi Payal Kishore, 093754432           | English    | Aug. 2010 to Jan. 2011  |
| 18.   | Mr. Lalrinmawii Tochhawng, 093754599           | English    | Jan. 2010 to July 2010  |
| 19.   | Mr. Abdul Naseeb Khan, 093754575               | English    | March 2010 to Sep. 2010 |
| 20.   | Ms. Pooja Rani, 093754210                      | English    | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 21.   | Mr. Anish Kumar, RTA, 093575689                | English    | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 22.   | Ms. Roseliz Francis, RTA, 093575704            | English    | Jan 2010 to Aug 2010    |
| 23.   | Ms. Chhingangabam Anupama, RTA, 0937327466     | English    | Jan 2010 to Jun 2010    |
| 24.   | Ms. Irengbam Runita Devi, RTA, 097327459       | English    | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 25.   | Mr. Niroj Kumar Sethi, RTA, 093575775          | English    | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |
| 26.   | Ms. Miranda Mary Sapna Peter, RTA, 093576057   | English    | Jan 2010 to Aug 2010    |
| 27.   | Mr. Parmar Hareshkumar Virajibhai,             | Gujrati    | July 2010 to Dec 2010   |

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|     | RTA, 093575886                       |       |                       |
| 28. | Mr.S. Dhana Dhayalan, RTA, 093576040 | Tamil | July 2010 to Jan 2011 |
| 29. | Ms. J.S. Anarkali, RTA, 093575696    | Tamil | Nov.2009 to Sept.2010 |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students.

RC 18.10.2 The Research Council considered and approved progress reports as proposed above.

**ITEM 11 To consider and approve the Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students in the Discipline of Computer Science (SOCIS).**

RC 18.11.1 The 32<sup>nd</sup> School Board held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011 approved the Progress Reports of the following students:

| Sl No | Name                                 | Period                |
|-------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1.    | Ms. Nidhi Chopra, RTA, 093575919     | May 2008 to Dec 2010  |
| 2.    | Ms. Sangeeta Kakotey, RTA, 097327735 | Dec 2008 to Sep 2009  |
| 3.    | Mr. Suresh Kumar B, 100165557        | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 4.    | Mr. Saurabh Shukla, 100165568        | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 5.    | Ms. Ruchika Ashija, 100165559        | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 6.    | Mr. Taha Hafeez Siddiqi, 100165577   | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 7.    | Ms. Shazia Manzoor, 100165579        | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 8.    | Ms. Deepti Sharma, 100165562         | June 2010 to May 2011 |
| 9.    | Mr. Rakesh Kumar, 100165566          | June 2010 to May 2011 |
| 10.   | Mr. Vipul Vashisht, 100165558        | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 11.   | Ms. Renuka S. Mathapati, 100165571   | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 12.   | Mr. Sanjay Pahuja, 100165565         | Dec 2010 to May 2011  |
| 13.   | Mr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta, 100165561   | Nil                   |
| 14.   | Mr. Rajiv, RTA, 093576104            | July 2008 to May 2011 |
| 15.   | Mr. Piyush Prakash, 100165573        | July 2010 to May 2011 |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students.

RC 18.11.2 As the progress reports were not submitted in the prescribed format and no briefs were submitted, the members of the Research Council expressed that the Member Secretary should obtain all documents viz., Progress Reports, brief of each Progress Report and place the same before the Chairperson for taking appropriate decision and the same could be reported to the RC.

**ITEM 12 To consider and approve the Progress Reports submitted by Ms. Rashmi, Ph.D student in the Discipline of Political Science (SOSS).**

RC 18.12.1 10<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee of SOSS held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2010 approved the Progress Reports of Ms. Rashmi, Ph.D student in the Discipline of Political Science and the minutes of the Standing Committee was approved by 50<sup>th</sup> School Board held on August 18<sup>th</sup> 2010. The details are given below:

**Periods of Progress Reports :** May 2008 to March 2009; April 2009 to December 2009 and Jan.2010 to June 2010.

The Research Supervisor expressed his satisfaction over the progress of the student.

RC 18.12.2 The Research Council considered and approved all progress reports as proposed above.

**ITEM 13 To consider and approve draft copy of the revised Ordinance and Regulations on Research Degree Programmes.**

RC 18.13.1 It was submitted that vide Notification No.IG/Admn(G)/Rev./St./2009/1602, dated 11<sup>th</sup> June 2009, a Committee was constituted under the Team-Head (PVC-LP) (i) to review the composition of the Research Council, powers & functions of the authorities/standing committees (ii) to assess and evaluate the efficacy of existing provisions vis-à-vis the changing environment and emerging requirements; (iii) to recommend the amendments to the existing provision of the Act/Statutes with a view to meeting the challenges and future perspectives.

A meeting was held with members of the Committee under the Team-Head and detailed deliberations were held and feed back were obtained. Accordingly, a draft copy of the Ordinance and Regulations on Research Degree Programmes (**Annexure 18.13.1**) was developed and placed before the Research Council.

RC 18.13.2 Detailed deliberations were held on the proposed draft. The members suggested the following additions and deletions:

| Clause No. | Particulars                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| 1.3        | Autonomy and flexibility of the University should be fully explored in research in existing disciplines as well as in the connecting disciplines with broad based boundaries.                                                          |
| 2.2.2      | It is proposed to change the term 'Chairman' with the word 'Chairperson'.                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5.4        | Broad based Doctoral Committees shall be constituted discipline-wise incorporating connecting disciplines within the existing disciplines irrespective of the disciplines being offered at the University.                             |
| 5.5        | All the connecting disciplines under the broad based disciplines shall have co-opted members for the Doctoral Committee of specific areas/fields from the University/ Recognized Research Centre / other higher learning institutions. |
| 7.2.1      | Senior Regional Director and Regional Director/Deputy Directors of IGNOU shall be eligible to guide the research students (to be added in to 7.2.1).                                                                                   |
| 7.2.1.     | All teachers/academics with five years teaching experience/ professional experience with Ph.D shall be eligible to guide students (to be added in to 7.2.1).                                                                           |



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| 7.4  | A research supervisor can guide students independently/jointly in the multiple disciplines depending upon his /her experience in the discipline and or connecting disciplines.                                                                                                                                               |
| 7.5  | A research supervisor at any point of time shall not guide more than 8 M.Phil/Ph.D students [Assistant Professors/Associate Professors/Professors/Regional Directors (Senior)/ Regional Director/Deputy Director and other eligible cadres as per the Ordinance (this clause will replace proposed 7.5 clause in the draft). |
| 7.6  | Like IGNOU, RRCs shall have its own internal research supervisors as well as external supervisors to be approved by the School Board and Research Council of the University.                                                                                                                                                 |
| 8    | Every research student of IGNOU /RRC shall have an internal supervisor. A Doctoral Committee/School Board shall recommend joint supervision if needed taking into consideration nature of research proposal.                                                                                                                 |
| 9.3  | Approved topic for Ph.D shall be changed within 3 semesters (1½ years) from the date of registration subject to genuine /unavoidable reasons to be approved by the School Board and Research Council as special case. (proposed clause will replace the 9.3 in the draft).                                                   |
| 10.6 | The Doctoral Committee of the discipline shall decide manner in which a student should undertake course work for a period of 2 semesters (shall be incorporated in to 10.6).                                                                                                                                                 |

RC 18.13.3 The Research Council considered and approved suggestions of the members for incorporating in the draft Ordinance proposed for placing before the Academic Council.

**ITEM 14 To consider and approve guidelines developed for Research Programmes for international candidates.**

A committee was constituted for developing guidelines for Ph.D Programmes for International Candidates. The meeting was held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. The minutes of the meeting was sent to all the members for comments and feedback. No feedback/comments received from members of the Committee.

Some of the salient features of the guidelines developed are:

- Ph.D programmes will be offered only under Independent Mode;
- the programmes will be offered within the existing Ordinance & Regulations of the University without compromising quality in conducting research programmes;
- wherever physical presence is not possible for monitoring student activities such as presentation of research proposals, submission of progress reports, presentation of Seminars/Talks, attending to course work, writing Term-End Examinations, attending to viva-voce, etc, video conferencing or SKYPE or Yahoo messenger/IGNOU

email/Gmail etc., (whichever is relevant & applicable) could be used.

Detailed guidelines viz., issue of advertisement, issue of admission offers, selection of research guide(s), monitoring progress of students, course work and TEE and fees structure etc are given in the developed guidelines **(Annexure 18.14.1)**.

RC 18.14.2 Detailed deliberations were held. The members of the Research Council suggested the following:

- Ph.D programmes will be offered only under Independent mode and not under integrated mode
- Student should visit IGNOU at least once at the time of pre-submission seminar or final viva-voce;
- Cost of prospectus and fee structure proposed should be more rational taking economic conditions of the country.

RC 18.14.3 The Research Council considered and approved guidelines developed for Ph.D programme for internal students and suggestions of the members.

**ITEM 15 To consider and approve issue of M.Phil Dissertation Evaluation Report to students.**

RC 18.15.1 The matter was considered and discussed. Members expressed that the copy of Evaluation Report could be issued masking the signature and name of the Evaluator.

RC 18.15.1 The Research Council considered and approved issuing of the Reports of Thesis of Examiners of M.Phil/Ph.D masking the signature and name of the Evaluator.

**ITEM 16 To consider and approve Ph.D registration of Mr. Avijeet Prasad of the Collaborative Integrated M.Sc – Ph.D Programme in Physics and Astrophysics under Category B.**

RC 18.16.1 The Research Council considered and approved registration of Mr. Avijeet Prasad in the Ph.D under Integrated M.Sc – Ph.D Programme in Physics and Astrophysics under Category B.

**ITEM 17 To consider and approve recommendations of the Expert Committee for assessing the progress of RTA for extension of fellowship.**

RC 18.17.1 Under Research Teaching Assistants (RTA) scheme, the meetings for extension of fellowship for RTAs, who have completed three years duration were held on 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> June 2011. The observations of the Review Committees are enclosed **(Annexure 18.17.1)**.

The Review Committee suggested that the existing format for Progress Report (6 months) and Self-appraisal format for extension of the fellowship of RTAs need to be revised with a view to obtain more

qualitative information on the progress made by RTAs and others.

Review Committee recommendations and formats were placed before the Research Council for consideration.

RC 18.17.2 After detailed deliberations, the members from the University expressed that they need to consult the faculty in reviewing the formats. Members sought two more weeks for sending feedback.

RC 18.17.3 The Research Council considered and agreed for their suggestions giving two weeks more time for sending feedback. The Research Council also approved review committee recommendations. The Research Council authorized the Chairperson to approve the revised formats before its implementation.

**ITEM 18 To consider and approve Course Work for the RTA registered in Natural Resource Management for Ph.D in School of Agricultural (SOA).**

RC 18.18.1 A detailed course curricula with relevant references recommended by the Experts was approved by the School Board. The Course Works were designed exclusively for a particular RTA placed at the Regional Centre, Aizwal. The syllabus is drawn from ICAR's New and Restructured Post Graduate curricula & Syllabi. This syllabus was circulated among the School Board members.

RC 18.18.2 The Research Council considered and approved the coursework. The Research Council also suggested that since so much work has been done in this regard, the curricula developed could be utilized for programmes of similar nature in future.

**ITEMS 19 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Extension and Development Studies under Category 'A' (SOEDS).**

RC 18.19.1 The following three candidates and one RTA presented their synopsis before the Doctoral Committee meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011 and its minutes were approved by the School Board held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011:

1. Ms. Shardhanvita, RTA
2. Ms. Vandana Kashyap
3. Mr. Ghan Shayam Karol
4. Lt.Col.S.V.S. Sudhakar

The details of the candidates is provided in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.19.1)**.

RC 18.19.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of the above candidates to Ph.D in the Discipline of Extension and Development Studies under Category 'A'.

**ITEM 20 To consider and approve relaxation in age (from 25 to 30**

**years) for appointment of RTAs in the SOITS.**

- RC 18.20.1 The present requirement of age for appointment of RTAs is 25 years as on 1<sup>st</sup> July of the year (relaxable by 5 years for women candidates and SC/ST/PH). However, the SOITS proposes to relax the requirement of age from 25 to 30 years to get suitable candidates with M.Phil. degree. The 9<sup>th</sup> School Board recommended the proposal of age relaxation.
- RC 18.20.2 The Research Council considered and approved the said age relaxation for all RTAs to be engaged in any discipline of the School/Centre.

**ITEM 21 To consider and approve enhancement of remuneration/honorarium for conduct of Ph.D Viva-voce.**

- RC 18.21.1 The 6<sup>th</sup> Research Council dated 13<sup>th</sup> January 2005 approved remuneration for Ph.D Thesis and Viva-voce as follows:

|                             |   |            |
|-----------------------------|---|------------|
| Evaluation of Ph.D Thesis   | = | Rs.1,000/- |
| Viva Voce                   | = | Rs.500/-   |
| plus actual postal charges. |   |            |

On the basis of the above, the 17<sup>th</sup> Research Council approved remuneration for evaluation of M.Phil dissertation and conduct of Viva-voce as follows:

|                                                                              |   |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|----------|
| Evaluation of M.Phil Dissertation                                            | = | Rs.500/- |
| Viva Voce                                                                    | = | Rs.250/- |
| plus actual postal charges and transport allowances as per University rules. |   |          |

A notification was issued confirming the above implementation on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

- RC 18.21.2 Director, SOCE brought to the notice of the authorities that the honorarium being paid by IGNOU for Viva voce is very meager. The external members are not showing interest to attend to. He has proposed that the honorarium to be paid to the external experts invited for Ph.D Viva voce be brought at par with the honorarium being paid to similar experts participating in the Expert Committee meetings or other meetings.
- RC 18.21.3 The members deliberated and agreed to recommend Rs. 2000 for Ph.D Viva-voce and Rs.1,000/- for M.Phil Viva-voce. The evaluation charges will remain unchanged.
- RC 18.21.3 The Research Council considered and approved the above proposal as suggested for M.Phil an Ph.D Viva Voce. The Research Council also recommended to place the proposal before the Financial Committee for consideration.

**ITEM 22 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in Education at the Recognized Research Centre (CSI, Madurai) for July 2011 cycle.**

- RC 18.22.1 The CSI Centre for Educational Research Development, Madurai was

recognized as a Research Centre of IGNOU. The institute received twenty applications for Ph.D in Education. A Doctoral Committee meeting was held at RRC, CSI, Madurai on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> December 2010 under the Chairperson of the Doctoral Committee (Prof.Vibha Joshi, Director, SOE, IGNOU).

According to Director, CSI indefinite delay had happened in placing minutes of the Doctoral Committee (held at CSI, Madurai) before the School Board (SOE). The Director, SOE had expressed her inability to place the minutes before the School Board for consideration.

RC 18.22.2 The members expressed serious concern for abnormal delay asking the Research Council to consider the case as a special case permitting candidates to register. The Research Council authorized the Chairperson to take an appropriate decision and the same could be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.22.3 The Research Council considered and approved the suggestions of the members authorizing the Chairperson to take an appropriate decision for registration of candidates at RRC, CSI, Madurai and the decision of the Chairperson shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 23 To consider and approve Admission/Registration of the candidates for Ph.D under Categories 'A' & 'B' in the Discipline of Economics (SOSS).**

RC 18.23.1 The following candidates were invited by the Discipline for Entrance Test/Interview/research proposals presentation for Ph.D before the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 01.06.2011:

**Category 'B' (Integrated Mode) NET qualified candidates for Provisional Admission for Ph.D:**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Name of the candidate</b> |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1.           | Ms. Niti Arora               |
| 2.           | Ms.Gurleen Kaur              |
| 3.           | Ms. Rashmi Priyadarshini     |
| 4.           | Mr. Shiv Dayal Meena         |
| 5.           | Ms. Aradhana Rani            |
| 6.           | Ms. Rachna Madaan            |
| 7.           | Mr. T. Thawng Khan Siam      |

**Under Category 'B' (Integrated Mode) Provisional Admission for Ph.D selected through written test and Interview:**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Name of the candidate</b>    |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| 1.           | Ms. Pallavi Kishore             |
| 2.           | Mr. Navin Talwar                |
| 3.           | Ms. Illaa Vaats                 |
| 4.           | Mr. Medapati Kali Krishna Reddy |
| 5.           | Ms. Geetika Trivedi             |
| 6.           | Ms. Konita Basumantary          |
| 7.           | Ms. Barsha Saikia               |
| 8.           | Mr. Amit Singh Khokhar          |
| 9.           | Ms. Sujata Majumdar             |

10. Ms. Neetu Ahmed
11. Ms. Nidhi Piplani

**Under Category 'B' (Independent Mode) Provisional Admission for Ph.D:**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Name of the candidate</b> |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1.           | Ms. Shalini                  |
| 2.           | Ms. Priyanka Gupta           |
| 3.           | Mr. Tubal Kumar Benya        |
| 4.           | Ms. Ashima Gupta             |

Proposals for admission/registration are placed in the format with relevant details **(Annexure 18.23.1)**. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.23.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

RC 18.23.3 The Research Council considered and approved admission of above candidates for Ph.D (Independent/Integrated mode) under Category 'B' in the discipline of Economics subject to not exceeding prescribed limit in guiding students by a Supervisor.

**ITEM 24 To consider and approve Admission of the candidates of Gujarat Institute of Development Research Institute, Ahmedabad (RRC) for Ph.D under Category 'A' & 'B' in the Discipline of Economics (SOSS).**

RC 18.24.1 The Gujarat Institute of Development Research Institute, Ahmedabad, is an Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting research programmes in the Discipline of Development Studies in Social Sciences. The institute selected five candidates for Ph.D admission under **Category 'B'** in the discipline of Economics as per the details given below:

**NET Qualified candidates for provisional admission for Ph.D**

1. Mr. Hastimal Ghewarchand Sagar
2. Ms. Devyani Mukherjee Rawal

**Non- NET qualified candidates (based on the written test & interview) for provisional admission for Ph.D**

1. Ms. Garima Srivastava

2. Mr. Purav Parikh
3. Ms. Pinki Neogi Mishra

The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2011. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

- RC 18.24.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission of above candidates RRC (GIDRI, Ahmedabad) for Ph.D (Independent mode) under Category 'B' in the discipline of Economics and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 25 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D under Category A & B in the Discipline of Library and Information Science (SOSS) for July 2011.**

- RC 18.25.1 The Doctoral Committee of the discipline recommended provisional admission of the following 3 candidates under Category 'A' and 1 candidate under Category 'B'. Candidates under Category 'A' are yet to make presentations before the Doctoral Committee:

| S.No. | Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Provisional Admission | Candidate(s) under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.    | Mr. Nageswara Rao Kandamudi                                         | Ms. Jeba Das                                                          |
| 2.    | Ms. Gayathri Devi S                                                 |                                                                       |
| 3.    | Ms. Uma Tyagi                                                       |                                                                       |

The minutes of the Doctoral Committee held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011 were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

- RC 18.25.2 The Research Council considered and approved provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Library and Information Science (SOSS) for July 2011 as proposed above.

**ITEM 26 To consider and approve Admission/Registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Public Administration (SOSS) for July 2011.**

- RC 18.26.1 The following candidates applied for Ph.D under Category 'A' were asked to present research proposals before the Doctoral Committee. Candidates under Category 'B' were invited for an Entrance Test held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Candidates qualified from Category 'B' and candidates eligible under Category 'A' were called for research proposals presentation and interview before the Doctoral Committee held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2011. The Doctoral Committee recommended candidates for registration/admission category-wise are given below:

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Registration</b> | <b>Candidates under Category 'B' recommended for Ph.D Admission (with Course Work)</b> |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.           | Ms. Smita Waldekar                                                | Mr. Abhishek Kesarwani                                                                 |
| 2.           | Ms. Abha Mishra                                                   | Mr. Rakesh Kumar                                                                       |
| 3.           | Ms. Nidhi Choudhari                                               | Ms. Madhu Ahuja                                                                        |
| 4.           | Mr. Austine Eapen                                                 | Ms. Rinki Chaudhary                                                                    |
| 5.           | Mr. Prabhat Kumar Chaturvedi                                      | Ms. Sunita                                                                             |
| 6.           | --                                                                | Ms. Nisha Kadyan                                                                       |

The details of the candidates of Category 'A' and Category 'B' are placed in the format **(Annexure 18.26.1)**. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.26.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

RC 18.26.3 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Public Administration (SOSS) for July 2011 as proposed above subject to not exceeding prescribed limit in guiding students by a Supervisor also the same shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 27 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science (SOSS) for July 2011.**

RC 18.27.1 It is submitted that the following candidates have been recommended for provisional admission for M.Phil/Ph.D:

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Registration</b> | <b>Candidates under Category 'B' recommended for Ph.D Admission with Course Work</b> |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.           | Ms. Mary Chatterjee (with Course Work)                            | Ms. Shehzadi Gulnar Mirza                                                            |
| 2.           | Ms. Meera Devi                                                    |                                                                                      |
| 3.           | Mr. Dhanjay Tiwari                                                |                                                                                      |
| 4.           | Ms. Richa Jhari                                                   |                                                                                      |

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Candidate(s) under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission for M.Phil with course work</b> |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.           | Mr. Urgain Dadhul                                                                                        |
| 2.           | Ms. Deepa Dabas                                                                                          |



The details of candidates are placed in the format **(Annexure 18.27.1)**. The Minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council will be placed before the School Board for ratification.

RC 18.27.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science (SOSS) for July 2011 as proposed above.

**ITEM 28 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of History (SOSS) for July 2011.**

RC 18.28.1 The following candidates made presentations before the Doctoral Committees held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2011 under Category 'A' and 'B'. The minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2011:

| S.No. | Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Provisional Admission | Candidate(s) under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.    | Pardeep Kumar Verma                                                 | Ms. Prarthana                                                         |
| 2.    | Neel Kumar Mishra                                                   | Ms. Sushrita Das                                                      |
| 3.    | Surjeet Singh                                                       | Ms. Muni Vijay                                                        |
| 4.    | Mr. Wilson PV                                                       | Mr. Pataru                                                            |
| 5.    | Mr. Visnoonand Bisram                                               | Mr. Anil Balbhim Mane                                                 |
| 6.    | Ms. Kausalya Srinivasan                                             | Mr. Ranjeet Singh                                                     |

Details of the candidates are provided in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.28.1)**. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.28.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

RC 18.28.3 The Research Council considered and approved provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of History (SOSS) for July 2011 as proposed above subject to not exceeding prescribed limit in guiding students by a Supervisor.

**ITEM 29 To consider and approve provisional admission for M.Phil/Ph.D in the Discipline of Sociology (SOSS) for July 2011.**

RC 18.29.1 The following candidates made presentations before the Doctoral Committees held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011 under Category 'A' and 'B'. The minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2011:

| S.No. | Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Provisional Admission for Ph.D | Candidate(s) under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission for Ph.D |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.    | Mr. Rabindra Nath                                                            | Mr. Sanjaya Kumar Pradhan                                                      |
| 2.    | --                                                                           | Mr. Abdul Raqeeb Lone                                                          |

| S.No. | Candidate(s) under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission for M.Phil |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.    | Ms. Pooja Kumari                                                                 |
| 2.    | Ms. Shweta Pawar                                                                 |

Details of the candidates are provided in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.29.1)**. The Minutes of the Doctoral Committee approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee are enclosed. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.29.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

RC 18.29.3 The Research Council considered and approved provisional admission for M.Phil/Ph.D in the Discipline of Sociology (SOSS) for July 2011 as proposed above and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 30 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students in the Discipline of Economics (SOSS).**

The Progress Reports of the following Ph.D students were placed before the Doctoral Committee Meeting and the minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011:

| Name                   | Period                                      |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Mr. Utpala Das Singhal | July 2009-31 <sup>st</sup> Dec.2010         |
| Ms. Suman Devi         | July 2010 to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010 |
| Ms. Iti Vyas           | July 2010 – 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010  |
| Ms.Manisha Kulshrestha | July 2010 – 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010  |
| Ms. Sehba Fatima       | July 2010 – 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010  |
| Ms. Swetalina Das      | July 2010 – 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010  |
| Ms. Aruna Devi         | July 2010 – 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2010  |
| Ms. Renuka Jain Gupta  | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mr. Harinam Singh      | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mr. N. Krishnaswamy    | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mr. A. Balu            | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mr. K.K. Sharma        | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Ms. Shruti Sharma      | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mrs. Moumita Bagchi    | July 2010 to December 2010                  |
| Mr. Arup Kanti Kunar   | July 2010 to December 2010                  |

|                    |                            |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Ms. Pragya Shankar | July 2010 to December 2010 |
| Mr. Sanjay Kumar   | July 2010 to December 2010 |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students. Minutes of the Doctoral Committee approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.30.1 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Reports of the students as proposed above Council shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 31 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students in the Discipline of History (SOSS).**

RC 18.31.1 The following Progress Reports were submitted by the Ph.D students were placed before the Doctoral Committees of the Discipline held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011 and 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and the minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011:

| Sl. No. | Name                      | Period                                                |
|---------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1)      | Swati Sengupta Chatterjee | Jan.11 to June 11                                     |
| 2)      | Alok Bajpai               | Jan.11 to June 11                                     |
| 3)      | Rachna Grover             | Jan.11 to June 11                                     |
| 4)      | Sumit                     | Jan.11 to June 11                                     |
| 5)      | Renu Baliyan              | July 10 to June 11                                    |
| 6)      | Bindu Sahni               | Jan.11 to June 11                                     |
| 7)      | Raman Kumar Soni          | 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2010 to 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan.2011 |
| 8)      | Kanika Singh              | Sept.10 to Feb.11                                     |
| 9)      | Samson Kamson             | June to Nov.2010                                      |
| 10)     | Sanjay Kumar              | July 10 to Dec. 10                                    |
| 11)     | Sanghamitra Rai Verman    | March 10 to Aug.10 & Sept.10 to Feb.11                |
| 12)     | Nisar Kizhakkayil         | March 10 to Sept. 10                                  |
| 13)     | R. Sathis Kumar           | July 10 to Dec.10                                     |
| 14)     | Sumit                     | July 10 to Dec.10                                     |

Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students. Minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council Council and the shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.31.2 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Reports of the students as proposed above and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 32 To consider and approve Progress Report of Ms. Dhanyasree, Ph.D student in the Discipline of Library and Information**

### **Science (SOSS).**

- RC 18.32.1 The following Progress Report submitted by Ms. Dhanyasree, RTA registered for Ph.D in Library and Information Science have been placed before the Doctoral Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2011. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011.

| <b>Name</b>         | <b>Period</b>             |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Ms. Dhanyasree, RTA | Jan.2009 to December 2010 |

The Research Supervisor expressed her satisfaction over the progress of the student. Minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

- RC 18.32.2 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Report of Ms. Dhanyasree, RTA as proposed above and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

### **ITEM 33 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students in the Discipline of Sociology (SOSS).**

- RC 18.33.1 The following Progress Reports were submitted by Ph.D students in Sociology were placed before the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>Name</b>              | <b>Period</b>            |
|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1)             | Mr. Karunakar Singh, RTA | July 10 to Dec.2010      |
| 2)             | Ms. Valarmathi.M, RTA    | July 10 to December 2010 |
| 3)             | Ms.Laltanpuui Rokhum     | Jan.10 to June 10        |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students. Minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

- RC 18.33.2 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Reports of the students as proposed above and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

### **ITEM 34 To consider and approve change of Ph.D topic in respect of Ms. Manisha Kulshrestha, RTA registered for Ph.D in the Discipline of Economics (SOSS).**

- RC 18.34.1 The 16<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee approved the change in Ph.D topic of Ms. Manisha Kulshrestha, RTA, registered for the Ph.D Programme. The earlier topic and the revised one approved by the 16<sup>th</sup> Standing

Committee are placed below:

**Earlier Topic:** *"Employment Generation in Service Sector in India".*

**Changed Topic:** *"Employment Generation and competitiveness of Tourism Sector in India".*

As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council and the same shall be reported to the School Board.

RC 18.34.2 The Research Council considered and approved as a special case. However, members expressed that such changes should happen within 1½ years from the date of registration. Such change of topic shall be considered under unavoidable situations with genuine reasons.

RC 18.34.3 The Research Council considered and approved change of research topic in respect of Ms. Manisha Kulshrestha, RTA registered for Ph.D in the Discipline of Economics. The Research Council also approved the suggestion of the members for change of topic specifying conditions within which change of topic shall be allowed.

**ITEM 35 To consider and ratify registration of Ms. Punam Dagar for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science (SOSS) for January 2011.**

Rc 18.35.1 The Ph.D research proposal recommended by the Doctoral Committee held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011 and its minutes were approved by the 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2011. As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the minutes of the Research Council shall be placed before the School Board for reporting. The details of the candidate are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.35.1).**

RC 18.35.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of Ms. Punam Dagar for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science and the minutes of the Research Council shall be reported to the School Board.

**ITEM 36 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students in the Discipline of Social Work (SOSW).**

RC 18.36.1 The following Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students in Social Work were placed before the 9<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and the same was approved.

| Sl. No. | Name                      | Period               |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Ms.Arati Mann             | Sept.2010 – Feb.2011 |
| 2.      | Ms. Piyali Ghosh Banerjee | Dec.2010 – May 2011  |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students.

RC 18.36.2 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Reports of the

students as proposed above.

**ITEM 37 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (RRC), Kochi in the Discipline of Social Work (SOSW).**

RC 18.37.1 The following Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi in the Discipline of Social Work were placed before the 9<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and the same was approved:

| Sl. No. | Name                  | Period                |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1.      | Mr.I.V. Soman         | Nov.2010 to June 2011 |
| 2.      | Mr.M.P Antony         | Jan.2011 to June 2011 |
| 3.      | Ms. Archana T.S       | Feb 2011 to July 2011 |
| 4.      | Mr.Saju P.P.          | Feb 2011 to July 2011 |
| 5.      | Mr.Kochurani P.J.     | Feb 2011 to July 2011 |
| 6.      | Ms.Nycil Romis Thomas | Jan 2011 to June 2011 |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students.

RC 18.37.2 The Research Council considered and approved Progress Reports of the students as proposed above.

**ITEM 38 To consider and approve M.Phil/Ph.D admission/registration of candidates of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (RRC), Kochi for provisional admission under Category 'B' in the Discipline of Social Work (SOSW).**

RC 18.38.1 The Rajagiri College of Social Sciences is a Recognized Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU. The 5<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Committee held on May 6, 2011 at Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (RRC), Kochi approved the following candidates for July 2011 admission/registration and subsequently the same was approved by the 9<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011.

**Candidates recommended for provisional admission under M.Phil/Ph.D (Integrated mode) are:**

| Sl. No. | Name                           |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| 1.      | Ms. Rajani P. Menon            |
| 2.      | Ms. Veena Theresa Paul         |
| 3.      | Mr. Abhilash N                 |
| 4.      | Mr. Dominey Mathew             |
| 5.      | Mr. Ben Mathew Vaddakeparampil |
| 6.      | Ms. Bency Antony               |
| 7.      | Ms. Bindu V Nair               |
| 8.      | Mr. Premjith P                 |
| 9.      | Mr. Jomy George                |
| 10.     | Mr. Ratheesh R                 |
| 11.     | Mr. Subin George               |
| 12.     | Ms. Beena M.V                  |

13. Ms. Teesa B. Sebastian

**Candidates recommended for registration under M.Phil/Ph.D (Integrated mode) are:**

| Sl. No. | Name                   |
|---------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Aneesh Kurian, RTA |
| 2.      | Ms. Jeseenth Augustine |

**Candidates recommended for M.Phil (Independent mode) are:**

| Sl. No. | Name                    |
|---------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Ms. Anitha Mohanan      |
| 2.      | Ms. Eirene Jose Ambatte |

The details of the candidates are given in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.38.1).**

RC 18.38.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

RC 18.38.3 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration of M.Phil/Ph.D (Integrated) and M.Phil (Independent) candidates of Rajagiri College of Social Sciences (RRC), Kochi for provisional admission under Category 'B' in the Discipline of Social Work subject to not exceeding prescribed limit in guiding students by a supervisor.

**ITEM 39 To consider and approve M.Phil/Ph.D provisional admission of candidates under Category 'B' in the Discipline of Social Work (SOSW).**

RC 18.39.1 An Entrance Test followed by an Interview M.Phil/ Ph.D Programme (Integrated mode) in Social Work was held on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> May 2011 and 1<sup>st</sup> July 2011 respectively. The 9<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2011 approved the following candidates for provisional admission:

**Candidates recommended under M.Phil/Ph.D (Integrated mode) are:**

| Sl. No. | Name                         |
|---------|------------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Mohit Ahuja              |
| 2.      | Mr. Mahadev Dhondiram Jadhav |
| 3.      | Mr. Gaurav Gaur              |
| 4.      | Ms. Shruti Roychowdhury      |
| 5.      | Ms. Shrada Matpal            |

As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide

more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. Hence the above names will be considered for admission/registration subject to fulfill the above conditions.

- RC 18.39.1 The Research Council considered and approved M.Phil/Ph.D with Integrated mode for provisional admission under Category 'B' in the Discipline of Social Work subject to not exceeding prescribed limit in guiding students by a supervisor.

**ITEM 40 To consider and approve the research proposals of the candidates for registration to Ph.D under category 'A' in the Discipline of Child Development.**

The following candidates for Ph.D in Child Development presented their research proposals before the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011 and the same were approved by the Doctoral Committee:

| Sl. No. | Name                |
|---------|---------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Anil Kumar Nair |
| 2.      | Ms. Simmi Chhabra   |

The 9<sup>th</sup> RCSC approved accepting and processing application received from Ms. Simmi Chhabra of Botswana for Ph.D in the Discipline of Child Development (SOCE) as approved by the School Board. In the light of approval of the RCSC, Ms. Simmi Chhabra's case was processed and recommended by the Doctoral Committee held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the Director, SOCE intimated that the minutes of the Research Council shall be placed before the School Board for ratification.

The details of the proposal viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal and external) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.40.1)**.

- RC 18.40.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of above candidates for Ph.D under Category 'A' in the Discipline of Child Development as proposed above.

**ITEM 41 To consider and approve internal supervisor for Ms. Moushami S. Kadkol, a Ph.D student under category 'A' in the Discipline of Child Development.**

- RC 18.41.1 The registration of Ms. Moushami S. Kadkol to the Ph.D in the Discipline of Child Development was approved by the 9<sup>th</sup> RCSC held on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2011, with the suggestion that there should be an Internal Supervisor for the student. In accordance with the same, the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2011 recommended that



Prof. Neerja Chadha be the internal Supervisor for the student.

As the School Board will not be held before 18<sup>th</sup> Research Council, the Director, SOCE intimated that the minutes of the Research Council will be placed before the School Board for ratification.

- RC 18.41.2 The Research Council considered and approved Prof. Neerja Chadha as internal Supervisor for Ms. Moushami S. Kadkol, a Ph.D student under category 'A' in the Discipline of Child Development.

**ITEM 42 To consider and approve the research proposals of the candidates for registration to Ph.D under category 'A' in the Discipline of English.**

- RC 18.42.1 The following candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of English presented their research proposals before the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and the same were approved by the Doctoral Committee. It is stated that the minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the School Board but the minutes of the School Board is awaited:

| Sl. No. | Name                  |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Manoj Kumar Nanda |
| 2.      | Ms. Mokshi Juyal      |
| 3.      | Mr. Abdur Rehib       |
| 4.      | Ms. Abba Mishra       |
| 5.      | Ms. Tulsi Verma       |
| 6.      | Ms. Neelu             |
| 7.      | Ms. Neel Kamal        |

The details of the proposal viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal) are placed in the prescribed format

- RC 18.42.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of above candidates under Category 'A' in the Discipline of English as proposed above.

**ITEM 43 To consider and approve the research proposals of the candidates for registration to Ph.D under categories 'A' & B in the Disciplines of Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Music (SOPVA).**

- RC 18.43.1 The following candidates for Ph.D in the Disciplines of Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Music presented their research proposals before the Doctoral Committees of the Disciplines held on 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011 respectively. The minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 9<sup>th</sup> School Board by circulation:

**Candidates recommended for registration to Ph.D Programmes in Fine Arts:**

| Sl. No. | Name | Category |
|---------|------|----------|
|---------|------|----------|

|    |                             |   |
|----|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. | Mr. Mohammed Tahir Siddiqui | A |
| 2. | Mr. Rabi Shankar Dey        | A |
| 3. | Mr. Sachin Saini            | B |

**Candidates recommended for registration to Ph.D Programmes in Theatre Arts : None**

**Candidates recommended for registration to Ph.D Programmes in Music :**

| Sl. No. | Name               | Category |
|---------|--------------------|----------|
| 1.      | Ms. Veethika Tikoo | B        |

The details of the proposal viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.43.1).**

- RC 18.43.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of above candidates in the Disciplines of Fine Arts, Theatre Arts and Music as proposed above.

**ITEM 44 To consider and approve the research proposal submitted by Mr. Haolenlal Gangte for registration to Ph.D under category 'A' in the Discipline of Vocational Education and Training (SOVET).**

- RC 18.44.1 Mr. Haolenlal Gangte presented his research proposal before the 7<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 15<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2011. The details of the proposal viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.44.1).**

- RC 18.44.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of Mr. Haolenlal Gangte for Ph.D under category 'A' in the Discipline of Vocational Education and Training as proposed above.

**ITEM 45 To consider and recommend appropriate Doctoral Committees for the Recognized Research Centres whose Disciplines do not exist in the Schools of the University.**

- RC 18.45.1 The University with approval of the Research Council established Recognized Research Centres (RRCs) for different disciplines in the higher learning institutions, colleges and other institutions which are promoting higher learning and research. More than 15 such RRCs were established for promoting research through these centres. In some of the cases research disciplines like Tamil, Sanskrit, Malayalam and Gujarati (in IGNOU), Kannada (SKVT), Urban Studies, Studies related to Water, Strategic Studies and Archeomethodology and Environmental

Sciences (NIAS), Electronics and Bio-technology (MCC), Astrophysics (IIA), Corporate Management & Allied areas (CCETC, IGNOU), Darsanas, Sanskrit, Computation Linguistics, Multimedia Information System and Digital Preservation of Sanskrit Heritage and Traditional Knowledge, Vyakarana, Epics and Aesthetics and Comparative Aesthetics, Ayurveda (CIF) were activated at RRCs but they do not exist at the Schools in the University.

Research disciplines like Sri Aurobindo Studies (Ph.D) of SACAR, various research disciplines from Chinmaya International Foundation (CIF), Astrophysics of the Indian Institute of Astrophysics (RRCs), have been kept under the School of Inter-disciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies taking into consideration nature of these disciplines.

As per the Regulations, each research discipline needs to have a separate Doctoral Committee. However, some of the Disciplines mentioned above in Para-I do not exist in the Schools/Centres of the University. Hence, the School/Centre cannot award Ph.D degrees for those who registered at the RRCs (in the non-existing disciplines of the Schools/Centres of the University) unless University takes appropriate policy decision placing such disciplines under Schools/Centres.

RC 18.45.2

The matter was deliberated at length taking into consideration of the issued raised above. After detailed deliberations the following emerged:

- Autonomy and flexibility of the University should be fully explored in research in existing disciplines as well as in the connecting disciplines with broad based boundaries.
- Broad based Doctoral Committees shall be constituted discipline-wise incorporating connecting disciplines within the existing disciplines irrespective of the disciplines being offered at the University.
- All the connecting disciplines under the broad based disciplines shall have co-opted members for the Doctoral Committee of specific areas/fields from the University/ Recognized Research Centre / other higher learning institutions.
- A research supervisor can guide students independently/jointly in the multiple disciplines depending upon his /her experience in the discipline and or connecting disciplines.
- Like IGNOU, RRCs shall have its own internal research supervisors as well as external supervisors to be approved by the School Board and Research Council of the University.
- Every research student of IGNOU /RRC shall have an internal supervisor. A Doctoral Committee/School Board shall recommend joint supervision if needed taking into consideration nature of research proposal.

RC 18.45.3

The Research Council considered and approved the suggestions of the members with a view to promote and encourage research through

Recognized Research Centres of the University.

**ITEM 46 To consider and approve admission/ registration of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D in the Discipline of Distance Education for July 2011 session (STRIDE).**

RC 18.46.1 The following candidates were recommended by the Doctoral Committee held on 15.05.2011 for admission/registration of M.Phil/Ph.D in Distance Education under Category 'B' and the minutes of the same were approved by the Research Committee held on 12.07.2011:

**Candidates recommended for registration of Ph.D under Category 'A'**

| Sl. No. | Name                |
|---------|---------------------|
| 1.      | Ms. Madhavi Sharma  |
| 2.      | Mr. Santosh Kumar.P |

The Research Committee dated 12.07.2011 has also recommended the following candidates for M.Phil in Distance Education.

**Candidates recommended for admission of M.Phil:**

| Sl. No. | Name                      |
|---------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Pradeep Kumar         |
| 2.      | Ms. Sheikh Nazima         |
| 3.      | Mr. Satish Kumar Vargunti |
| 4.      | Ms. Shazia                |
| 5.      | Ms. Sapna Saini           |

The details of the proposals viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.46.1).**

RC 18.46.1 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration of the candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D in the Discipline of Distance Education as proposed above.

**ITEM 47 To consider and approve Progress Reports submitted by the Ph.D students in the Discipline of Distance Education under Category 'B' (STRIDE).**

RC 18.47.1 The following Progress Reports were submitted by Ph.D students in Distance Education were placed before the Research Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2011:

| Sl. No. | Name                | Period                                      |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1.      | Mrs. Sabina Yeasmin | January – June 2010<br>July – December 2010 |

|    |                        |                                             |
|----|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 2. | Mr. Md. Mizanoor       | January – June 2010<br>July – December 2010 |
| 3. | Ms. D.G.S.K. Doluweera | July 26, 2010 – January 25, 2011            |
| 4. | Ms. G. Mythili         | January 2011 to June 2011                   |

Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students. The Research Committee approved the Progress Reports.

- RC 18.47.2 The Research Council considered and approved progress reports of the above students as proposed above.

**ITEM 48 To consider and approve Progress Reports submitted by the Ph.D students in the Discipline of Health Sciences (SOHS)**

- RC 18.48.1 The following Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students in Health Sciences were placed before the Doctoral Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and its minutes were approved by 44<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011:

| Sl. No. | Name                     |
|---------|--------------------------|
| 1.      | Ms. A.T. Kora            |
| 2.      | Ms. Philomina Thomas     |
| 3.      | Mr. Ashok Yadav          |
| 4.      | Ms. Kachroo Munira       |
| 5.      | Ms. Hassina Wani         |
| 6.      | Ms. Roja Princy          |
| 7.      | Ms. Daisy Thomas         |
| 8.      | Ms. Mehmooda Regu        |
| 9.      | Ms. Reminder Kalra       |
| 10.     | Mrs. Tanveera Makhdoomi  |
| 11.     | Ms. Anna Philomina Toppo |
| 12.     | Ms. Deepika Cecil Khakha |

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress of the students.

- RC 18.48.2 The Research Council considered and approved the progress reports submitted by Ph.D students as proposed above.

**ITEM 49 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Nursing for July 2011 session (SOHS).**

- RC 18.49.1 The 10<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Committee of Nursing held on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011 recommended the following candidates for registration of Ph.D in Nursing under Category 'A' and the minutes of the same were approved by the 44<sup>th</sup> School Board held on 21.07.2011:

**Candidates recommended for registration of Ph.D under Category 'A'**

| Sl. No. | Name               |
|---------|--------------------|
| 1.      | Mrs. Kavithan Kota |
| 2.      | Ms. J. Balalakshmi |
| 3.      | Mr. Srinivasan G   |

The details of the proposals viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (external) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.49.1).**

RC 18.49.2 As per the guidelines, at any time a research supervisor shall not guide more than 6-12 candidates prescribed for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates by the University taking into consideration independent supervision/joint supervision of candidates to be taken for research guidance. The above names shall be considered for admission/registration subject not exceeding the limits prescribed by the University in taking number of students.

RC 18.49.3 The Research Council considered and approved registration of candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Nursing.

**ITEM 50 To consider and approve CV of Dr. Inderjeet Walia as Research Supervisor in the Discipline of Nursing (SOHS).**

RC 18.50.1 The 44<sup>th</sup> School Board of Health Science approved the CV of Dr.Indrejeet Walia as Research Supervisor in the Discipline of Nursing.

RC 18.50.2 The Research Council considered and approved CV of Dr. Indrajeet Walia as Research Supervisor for Ph.D in the Discipline of Nursing.

**ITEM 51 To consider and approve registration of Mr. Shivam Sharma, RTA for Ph.D in the Discipline of Translation Studies for July 2011 session (SOTST).**

RC 18.51.1 The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011 approved registration of Mr. Shivam Sharma, selected for RTA for Ph.D in Translational Studies under Category 'A' and the minutes of the same were approved by the School Board through circulation.

The details of the proposals viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, Research Supervisors (internal) are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.51.1).**

RC 18.51.2 The Research Council Considered and approved registration of Mr. Shivam Sharma, RTA for Ph.D in the Discipline of Translation Studies as proposed above.

**ITEM 52 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Commerce under Category 'A' for July 2011 session (SOMS).**

RC 18.52.1 The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline held on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2011 approved registration of the following candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Commerce under Category 'A' and the minutes of the

same were approved by the School Board through circulation:

| Sl. No. | Name                         |
|---------|------------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Satyanarayan Panda       |
| 2.      | Ms. Akanksha Khanna          |
| 3.      | Mr. Saibaba Jadhav           |
| 4.      | Ms. Sudha Tiwari             |
| 5.      | Mr. Brij Bhushan             |
| 6.      | Ms. Parul Bhatiya            |
| 7.      | Mr. Sandeep Kumar            |
| 8.      | Mr.S. Sivanesan              |
| 9.      | Mr. Raman Preet Singh Shelly |
| 10.     | Ms. Anjeet Khandelwal        |
| 11.     | Mr. Sanjay Negi              |

The details of the proposals viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, name of Research Supervisors are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.52.1).**

- RC 18.52.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of above candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Commerce as proposed above.

**ITEM 53 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in the Disciplines of Financial Management and Human Resource Management under Category 'A' for July 2011 session (SOMS).**

- RC 18.53.1 The Doctoral Committee of Financial Management held on 5<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> April 2011 approved registration of the following 05 candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Financial Management under Category 'A' and the minutes of the same were approved by the School Board through circulation.

| Sl. No. | Name                     |
|---------|--------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr. Subramanian C.M      |
| 2.      | Mr. Anil Madhav Karajkar |
| 3.      | Ms. Deeksha Singh        |
| 4.      | Mr. Kapil Garg           |
| 5.      | Mr. P.P. Kulkarni        |

The Doctoral Committee of Human Resource Management held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2011 approved registration of the following 02 candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Human Resource Management under Category 'A' and the minutes of the same were approved by the School Board through circulation.

| Sl. No. | Name                    |
|---------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Mr.P. Srinivasan        |
| 2.      | Mr. Krishna Nath Pandey |

The details of the proposals viz., name, category, topic for Ph.D, name

of Research Supervisors are placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 18.53.1).**

- RC 18.53.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of above candidates for Ph.D in the Disciplines of Financial Management and Human Resource Management as proposed above.

**ITEM 54 To consider and approve relaxation of eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D in the Discipline of Tourism and Hospitality.**

- RC 18.54.1 The Equivalence Committee held on 08.04.2011 considered the application of Mr. G. Sultan Mohideen for admission to Ph.D Programme of the School of Tourism and Hospitality under the title "CUISINES IN TIPPU'S TIME". The Equivalence Committee vide resolutions VII 13.4 resolved as follows:

"Relaxation of eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D is to be examined by the Research Council. The members of the Equivalence Committee were of the view that the case may be referred to Research Council to take an appropriate decision on merit of the case considering the exceptional talents of the candidate in Culinary Art and his aptitude for research and documentation in the field."

- RC 18.54.2 Members expressed that required details (pertaining to Mr.G. Sultan Mohideen) such as qualification, experience, his request letter and minutes of the Academic Council are required for deliberations to take an appropriate decision. In the absence of these the members felt that the item can be taken up in the next Research Council after obtaining all the relevant documents.

- RC 18.54.3 The Research Council considered and approved the members suggestions.

**ITEM 55 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

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

**(V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai)**  
**Chairman**