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OF THE

TWENTY NINETH MEETING

OF

RESEARCH COUNCIL

HELD ON

23rd MARCH, 2021



INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
MAIDANGARHI, NEW DELHI -110068

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**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY NINTH MEETING OF THE RESEARCH COUNCIL (RC)
HELD ON 23rd MARCH, 2021 at 11.00 AM. IN THE BOARD ROOM, VICE CHANCELLOR'S
OFFICE, INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI-110068.**

The following attended the Meeting on 23rd March 2021:

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| 1. Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. R.P. Das, Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 3. Prof. R.R. Kanhere, Chairman, Admission & Fee Regulatory Authority
Madhya Pradesh | - | Member |
| 4. Prof. P. Prakash, Former Vice-Chancellor, SRM University, Haryana | - | Member |
| 5. Prof. Sangeeta Jain, Director, Institute of Management Studies
Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore | - | Member |
| 6. Prof. Rekha Prasad, Institute of Management Studies
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi | - | Member |
| 7. Prof. Anil Shukla, Former VC, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule
Rohilkhand University, Bareilly and Lucknow University, Lucknow | - | Member |
| 8. Prof. P.R. Agrawal, Former VC, Purvanchal University
Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh | - | Member |
| 9. Prof. B. K. Pattnaik, Director, SOEDS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 10. Prof. Pity Kaul, Director, SOHS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 11. Prof. V. V. Subrahmanyam, Director, SOCIS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 12. Prof. Himadri Roy, Director, SOGDS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 13. Prof. R. P. Pandey, Director, SOTST, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 14. Prof. Swaraj Basu, SOSS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 15. Prof. Vijayshri, SOS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 16. Dr. Archana Singh, SOSS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 17. Dr. S.K. Palit, SOCE, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 18. Dr. Archana Shukla, SOSS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 19. Dr. Madhulika P. Sarkar, SOMS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 20. Dr. Amit Chaturvedi, Regional Director, RC Noida, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 21. Dr. Bijayalaxmi Mishra, Director (I/c), Research Unit, IGNOU | - | Member Secretary |

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Prof. Sunita Malhotra, SOS, IGNOU could not attend the meeting. Dr Satish Gaikwad, Asst. Director, Research Unit, IGNOU was present to assist in the proceedings of the Research Council.

At the outset, Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU and Chairperson, Research Council, welcomed all the new members of the Research Council with a brief introduction in respect of each member. He acknowledged the contribution of the outgoing members in the deliberations of the Research Council.

In his initial remarks, the Chairperson gave a brief account of the activities related to Research Degree Programmes and said that IGNOU maintained the highest standards in the Research Degree Programmes as per the provisions of Research Ordinance and Regulations of the University in conformity with the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016 and its amendments from time to time. The Chairperson then briefed the members about the new Research Ordinance and Regulations which have been approved by the President of India in his capacity of being the Visitor of the University.

Giving a brief account of the Research Degree Programmes, the Chairperson apprised the committee about the Ph D programme being offered by the University in 42 disciplines and M Phil programme in 10 disciplines. He shared with the members about the research students on roll (93 students registered in M Phil and 664 in PhD Programmes). He further informed the members that the University since 2020 is not advertising M Phil programmes keeping in view the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The Chairperson also stated that the entrance test for admission to PhD Programmes was conducted through National Testing Agency (NTA) with encouraging response from applicants. The Chairperson also shared the number of fellowship holders pursuing Research degree programmes in the university funded by different funding agencies like UGC, ICSSR, ICCR and DST. He also apprised about the IGNOU research fellowship which is given to 30 research scholars every year.

The Chairperson shared with the members about the 34th convocation of the University scheduled to be held on 15th of April, 2021 wherein 52 Ph D and 10 M Phil scholars are to be awarded degrees.

Thereafter, the Chairperson requested the Director (I/c), Research Unit and Member Secretary of the Research Council to present the Agenda. The Agenda was presented as under:

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Item No.	Subject
RC 29.1	To Consider Confirmation of the Minutes of 28th Meeting of the Research Council held on 8th September 2020 and the Action Taken thereon
RC 29.1.1	<p>The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. The Member Secretary informed the members that the Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Research Council held on 8th September, 2020 were circulated amongst the Members of the Research Council. Since no comments were received from the Members on the Minutes, the Minutes were circulated among Schools of Studies for initiating action.</p> <p>The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 28th Meeting of the Research Council was placed before the Council. The Member Secretary informed that no action on the Minutes was pending.</p>
RC 29.1.2	The Research Council confirmed the Minutes of the 28 th Meeting of the Research Council (annexure-1) and noted the Action Taken thereon (annexure-2).
RC 29.2	To Consider ratification of the admissions to the PhD Programmes in Different Disciplines for July 2020 session.
RC 29.2.1	<p>The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. The members were apprised that the University advertised for admission to Ph D programmes for July 2020 session in February /March, 2020 for 248 seats across 28 disciplines. The Entrance examination was conducted by the National Testing Agency. A total number of 11457 applications were received and 3883 candidates appeared in the Entrance Test conducted on 4th October 2020. The NTA declared the result on 5th November, 2020. One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven candidates (1757) candidates qualified in the Entrance Test. No candidate got qualified in the entrance examination for Ph.D. in Vocational Studies. The Doctoral Research Committees of 27 Disciplines and their respective School Boards recommended 208 candidates for admission to PhD programmes in various disciplines on the basis of the performance of the candidates in the entrance test and Interview. The list of Discipline wise recommended candidates by DRCs and School Boards (annexure-3) were declared on approval of the competent authority and placed on the university website. All the selected candidates were sent offer letters, out of which 164 confirmed their admissions. She further informed that Reservation Policy as per the Government of India norms was followed in the admission process.</p>
RC 29.2.2	The Research Council noted and ratified the detailed procedure and list of selected candidates for admissions to the PhD Programmes in 27 disciplines for July 2020 session.



RC 29.3	To Consider suggesting modalities for admission to PhD Programme for July 2021.
RC 29.3.1	The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. The Member Secretary informed the Committee that, as per the IGNOU Research Ordinance, admission to Research Degree programmes is conducted once in every year for the July session. Admission to Research Degree programmes is done through an Entrance Test followed by Interview carrying 70% and 30 % weightage respectively as per UGC norms. She also explained about the admission procedure of 2020 in which the entrance was conducted by National Testing Agency which invited online applications. A total number of 11457 applications were received for admission to Ph D programmes in 28 Disciplines. The University provided necessary information pertaining to the Discipline specific syllabus, questions and other relevant information concerning Ph D programmes. The member secretary also informed the members that the admission process for 2020 remained hassle free and was completed smoothly. She also informed about the initiation of activity pertaining to admission to Ph D programmes for 2021 for which the Research Unit already sought willingness of the disciplines to offer Ph.D. programme along with number of vacant seats as per norms.
RC 29.3.2	The Research Council took note of the admission process of 2020 and resolved that the National Testing Agency shall conduct the Entrance Test for admission to Ph D programmes for the year 2021 and the University will follow in general the modalities as were adopted for admission to Ph D programmes in the year 2020.
RC 29.4	To Consider ratification of the procedure for imparting two credit course on Research and Publication Ethics prescribed by UGC.
RC29.4.1	The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. She informed the members about the two credit course on Research and Publication Ethics (RPE) made mandatory by UGC for all Research Scholars as a part of the Pre Ph.D. Coursework from the year 2020 and onwards. She further apprised that the matter was placed before the 20 th Research Council Standing Committee held on 19 th August 2020 for chalking out modalities for transacting the two credit Course for which a Committee was constituted. The recommendations of the Committee were placed before the Research Council at its 28 th meeting held on 8 th September, 2020. The Vice-Chancellor was authorized by the Research Council to take the decision regarding the finalization of the modalities on RPE. The Vice Chancellor referred the matter to the same committee for suggesting the <i>modus operandi</i> keeping in view the spirit of the UGC Notification on imparting Research and Publication Ethics. The Committee suggested the implementation measures for imparting the two credit Course and the proposal was notified on due approval. She also informed the members that the two credit course,



scheduled to be conducted in a workshop mode was likely to commence in the third week of April, 2021.

RC 29.4.2 The Research Council noted and ratified the procedure ([annexure-4](#)) for imparting two credit course on Research and Publication Ethics prescribed by UGC.

RC 29.5 **To Consider allocation of Research Topics/Supervisors to the PhD students in various Disciplines.**

RC 29.5.1 The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. The Member Secretary apprised the members about the recommendations of the DRCs and School Boards of various Disciplines/Schools on research topics/ supervisors for the Research scholars on successful completion of their coursework. The student wise details of the recommended research topics / supervisors in various disciplines are as under :

S.N o.	Name of the Student / Enrollment No. / Programme / School	Topic of Research	Research Supervisor(s) / CO -Supervisor	Date of DRC / SB approval
1.	Victor Banerjee 198570248 / PHDGDS / SOGDS	Space and Loneliness of Closeted Bisexual Men: A case Study of Dwarka, New Delhi	Prof. Himadri Roy	15.10.2020 23.10.2020
2.	Preeti Kohli 188501627/ PHDHIS/ SOSS	Girls' Education in Colonial Haryana (1854-1935)	Prof. Shashi Bhushan Upadhyay	24.01.2020 19.02.2020
3.	Abha Gupta 198570310 / PHDMGMT/ SOMS	Impact of Personality Traits and Biases on investment Decision Making: A study of investors in Delhi NCR	Dr. Leena Singh	8.10.2020 05.11.2020
4.	Anchal / 198570588 / PHDMGMT / SOMS	Acceptance and Usage of digital Payments : A study with special reference to rural areas of Haryana	Dr. Leena Singh	8.10.2020 05.11.2020
5.	Smiti Kashyap / 188501247 / PHDMGMT / SOMS	A framework for improvement in Financial, Technological and Organisational aspects of Dairy Industry with respect to Industry 4.0	Prof. Kamal Vagrecha	15.10.2020 05.11.2020



6.	Jagannadha Rao Alla / 198570359 / PHDCHEM / SOS	Synthesis, Biological Evaluation and Molecular Docking Studies of Novel Indazole Derivatives	Prof. Lalita S Kumar and Dr. B. Santosh Kumar	6.8.2020 22.9.2020
7.	Samjeet Singh Thakur / 198570792 / MPHILCHEM / SOS	Assessing Students' Perception of Atomic Structure and Chemical Bonding at Different Academic Levels in Himachal Pradesh	Prof. Sanjiv Kumar	6.8.2020 22.9.2020
8.	Rohitash Kumar / 198570270 / PHDGY / SOS	Morphological Characteristics of Tidal Networks and their Spatio-temporal Patterns using Geospatial Data in parts of the Gulf of Kachchh, Gujarat	Prof. Benidhar Deshmukh	1.12.2020 10.12.2020
9.	Beena Kouser / 198570373 / PHDGY / SOS	Hydrogeological Studies for Groundwater Characterization in the Kathua Region, Jammu and Kashmir	Dr. Omkar Verma	1.12.2020 10.12.2020
10.	Vachaspati Pandey / 198570380 / PHDGY / SOS	Impact of Land use / Land cover Change on Groundwater in the Faridabad Region of Delhi NCR, India	Dr. M. Prashanth	1.12.2020 10.12.2020
11.	Fatimah / 198570287 / PHDGY / SOS	GIS based Soil Erosion Study in a part of Lower Betwa Watershed, Central India	Dr. KakoliGogoi	1.12.2020 10.12.2020
12.	Sujang Khiamnjungan / 198570753 / PHDGY / SOS	Petrological Studies of Ultramafic Rocks and Associated Chromite and Magnetite Ores of the Naga Hill Ophiolite in Parts of Noklak District, Nagaland, India	Dr. KakoliGogoi	1.12.2020 10.12.2020

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13.	Priyanka Rajput / 188500711 / PHDLS / SOS	Role of diosmin in hepatocellular carcinoma : A cellular and molecular approach	Prof. Amrita Nigam and Prof. MushahidAlam Rizvi Department of Biosciences Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi – 110025.	16.3.2020 22.10.2020
14.	Abida Samad / 188500736 / PHDLS / SOS	Screening and evaluation of some high altitude medicinal plants from Kashmir valley against colorectal cancer progression	Prof. Amrita Nigam and Prof. MushahidAlam Rizvi Department of Biosciences Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi - 110025	16.3.2020 22.10.2020
15.	Poonam Phuloria / 192161888 / PHDEV / SOITS	Evaluation of Phytoid Treatment Technology for Rejuvenation of Bindapur Water Body (South West Delhi)	Prof. Shachi Shah	6.7.2020 12.11.2020
16.	Anjali / 188501610 / PHDEV / SOITS	“Better Fertilizer Management for Reducing Global Warming Potential (GWP) in Transplanted and Direct Seeded Rice Using Simulation Models”.	Dr. V. Venkat Ramanan (Internal Supervisor) Dr. Sheetal Sharma, Scientist II- Nutrient Management Specialist (South Asia), Sustainable Impact Platform, International Rice Research Institute, New Delhi. (External Supervisor as Co-supervisor)	27.7.2020 12.11.2020



	17.	Nisha Rani, 173102444 / PHDCS SOGIS Research Unit 	Developing an improved method for Early Detection of Students at Risk by predicting Student Dropouts	Prof. P.V. Suresh	29.09.2020 18.02.2021	
	18.	Shashi Yadav / 198570097 / PHDCOM / SOMS	Influence of Country of Origin on Purchase Intention : A Study of Select Electronic Goods	Prof. Nawal Kishor	27.10.2020 5.11.2020 Annexure 29.5.9	
	19.	Gourav Sharma / 198570563 // PHDCOM / SOMS	An Empirical Study of the Behaviour of Retail Investors towards Mutual Funds.	Prof. Madhu Tyagi	27.10.2020 5.11.2020 Annexure 29.5.9	
	20.	Sangeeta Tewatia / 198570570 // PHDCOM / SOMS	A Study on Corporate Governance and Performance of Public and Private Sector Banks in India	Prof. Madhu Tyagi	27.10.2020 5.11.2020 Annexure 29.5.9	
	21.	Deepika / 198570033 // PHDCOM / SOMS	A Study of Organisational Climate with Emphasis on Organisational Silence	Dr. Madhulika P. Sarkar	27.10.2020 5.11.2020 Annexure 29.5.9	
	22.	Ranjith E V 198570628 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Role of Communication in Health Outcomes of Paniya Tribe in Kerela: a Participatory Communication Approach with reference to COVID-19	Dr. Shikha Rai	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10	
	23.	Aakriti Taneja 198570674 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Assessing Children's Participatory Culture in Online Spaces: An Exploratory Study on Adolescents of Delhi-NCR	Dr. K.S. Arul Selvan	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10	

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24.	Sriveda Beswapoor 198570667 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Social Media Portrayal of COVID-19: a Semiotic Analysis of Cartoons on Facebook	Dr. Shikha Rai	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
25.	Aditya Ojha 198570650 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Representation of India and China in Nepalese Media: A Content Analysis of English E- Newspapers	Dr. Amit Kumar	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
26.	Gurmeet Kaur 198570714 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Climate Change Communication on Twitter: A study of National Capital Region based Twitter Users	Dr. Amit Kumar	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
27.	Aruna K C 198570681 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Measuring Skills and Competencies based on Media Health Literacy: A Case Study on Community Health Workers of Kerala	Dr. K.S. Arul Selvan	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
28.	Madhumita das 198570699 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Evaluating Digital Participation and Engagement of Women: A Cross-Sectional Study on Internet Usage in West Bengal	Dr. K.S.Arul Selvan	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
29.	Kaikho Ashuni 198570707 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Mapping the learning patterns of digital generation: A study of ODL learners of IGNOU using multiple media for learning.	Dr. O.P. Dewal	5/6.10.2020 9.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.10
30.	Sanjay Kumar / 198570452 / PHDHIN / SOH	“ उदयप्रकाश के कथा साहित्य में सामाजिक, राजनीतिक, आर्थिक और सांस्कृतिक प्रश्न”	प्रो। जितेंद्र कुमार श्रीवास्तव	29.1.2021 8.3.2021 Annexure 29.5.11



RC 29.5.2	The Research Council noted and approved the allotment of Research Topics and supervisors to the above listed 30 PhD students as recommended by their respective DRCs and School Boards.				
RC 29.6	To Consider the approval of Faculty Members as Research Supervisors in various Disciplines to guide Research Scholars.				
RC 29.6.1	The agenda was presented by the Member Secretary in detail. The Member Secretary presented the names of the following faculty members as research supervisors, recommended by their respective DRCs and School Boards as per the eligibility norms prescribed by UGC.				
	Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty Member Discipline /School	Whether holding PhD (Yes / No)	No. of Research Publications	Details of DRC / SBB
	1.	Dr. Mansi Sharma, Asst. Professor / SOL	Yes	5	18/11/2020 23/11/2020
	2.	Dr. Geetika S Johry, Asst. Prof / SOVET	Yes	2	7.9.2020 11.9.2020
	3.	Prof. K. Ravi Sankar / SOMS	Yes	6	27.09.2019 31.10.2019
	4.	Dr. Anjali Ramteke / Asst. Prof. /SOMS	Yes	6	27.09.2019 31.10.2019
	5.	Prof. C. B. Sharma /Distance Education / SOE	Yes	5	21.1.2021 29.1.2021
	6.	Dr. Tata Rama Krishna / Distance Education / SOE	Yes	6	21.1.2021 29.1.2021
	7.	Dr. Laxmi / SOHS	Yes	4	9.12.2020 24.12.2020
	8.	Prof. Vibha Joshi / SOE	Yes	5	11.3.2020 1.9.2020



RC 29.6.2	After detailed deliberations, the Research Council approved the names of above listed faculty members as Research Supervisors.				
RC 29.7	To Consider approval/ratification of minor/ major changes/modifications in Research Topics of PhD students in various Disciplines.				
RC 29.7.1	The Member Secretary presented the agenda in detail. She informed the members that the DRCs of various Disciplines and their respective School Boards recommended minor / major changes / modifications in research topic of the following research students:				
	S.No.	Name of the Student / Enrollment No.	Existing Title	Change in the Title and reason of change	Details of DRC / SB/SBSC
	1.	Bilal Ahmad Sunu 179341980 PHDGY	Sedimentology , geochemistry and dating of Pleistocene (~127ka) sediments from Nagum Formation, Kashmir Palaeoclimatic reconstruction	Sedimentology, geochemistry and dating of Pleistocene sediments from Nagum Formation, Kashmir: Palaeoclimatic reconstruction. International Commission on Stratigraphy (ICS) has issued updated version of the Geologic Time Scale, which has changed the Boundary of Upper and Lower Pleistocene therefore “~127ka” that appeared within parentheses in the title of the PhD thesis may be considered for deletion from the research topic.	15 th November ,2019 6 th March 2020
	2.	Aakanksha Nirala / 173101410 / PHDCOM / SOMS	Impact of Human and Organizational Value on Organizational Commitment among Employees	Impact of Individual and Organizational Value on Organizational Commitment among Employees (DRC Suggested)	29.11.2019 20.3.2020



3	Varsha Jaiswal / 188500822 / PHDCOM / SOMS	A Study of Entrepreneurial Success and its Determinants	E- Business Adoption in MSMEs : A Study of Delhi NCR (DRC Suggested)	29.11.2019 20.3.2020	
4	K Ashwani / 173101442 / PHDCOM / SOMS	Green Marketing : A Study on Consumer Attitude and Purchase Intention towards Green Products	Green Marketing : A Study on Consumer Attitude and Purchase Intention towards Green Products (correction in spelling)	29.11.2019 20.3.2020	
5	Col. Elizabeth / 17310211 / PHDNS / SOHS	A study to assess the morbidity patterns, health care behaviours among elderly population in an urban community of Uttar Pradesh	A study to assess the morbidity patterns, health care behaviours among elderly population in an urban community of Mumbai (Change of setting of Research Study as she has been transferred from Lucknow to Mumbai)	9.12.2020 24.12.2020	
6	Gayatri Kanwar / 138000776 / PHDENG / SOH	The Making and Un-Making of Myths in History : A Study of Amish Tripathi's Shiva Trilogy and Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's Palace of Illusion	The Making and Un-Making of Myths in History : A Study of Amish Tripathi's Shiva Trilogy and Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's The Palace of Illusions	11.12.2020 21.01.2021	
7	Ms. Anju Kahal / PHDCOM / SOMS	Impact Assessment of the Limited Liability Partnership on the Prospects of Entrepreneurs	Impact Assessment of the Limited Liability Partnership on the Prospects of Entrepreneurship	Approved by CA on 17.02.2021	
8	Ms. Mala Palani / PHDENG / SOH	Using Data-Led Reflection to build Self-efficacy in the Pre-service ELT Teachers	Using Data-Led Reflection to build Self-efficacy in the Pre-service English Language Teachers	Approved by CA on 07.12.2020	

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RC 29.7.2 The Research Council approved the Change of minor/ major changes/modifications in Research Topics of above listed PhD students as recommended by their respective DRCs and School Boards in various Disciplines excluding Sl.No.5 which was withdrawn as requested by the Director SOHS due to certain further modification in the topic.

RC 29.8 **To Consider approval of change of Supervisor(s) of Research Scholars.**

RC 29.8.1 The Member Secretary presented the agenda in detail. The member secretary informed the members about the change of Research Supervisors in respect of the following Research Scholars as recommended by their Doctoral Research Committees and School Board Standing Committees School Boards:

S.No.	Name of the Student / Enrollment No. / Programme	Topic	Existing Supervisor / Co-supervisor	Changed Supervisor / Co-supervisor	Details of DRC / SB/SBSC
1.	Ms. Anita Kumari (enrolment no. 138000712) PHDHIS / SOSS	Madhyakalin Haryana Mein Sufi Sthal Aur Parampara	Prof. A.R. Khan	Prof. Abha Singh Co-supervisor: Prof. A.R. Khan	27.01.2021 08.02.2021
2.	Mr. Ravindra Singh Yadav (enrolment no. 173100609) PHDHIS / SOSS	Establishment and Evolution of Two Early Urban Sites of Delhi: Mehrauli and Siri: 13th to 18th Century	Prof. A.R. Khan	Prof. Abha Singh Co-supervisor: Prof. A.R. Khan	27.01.2021 08.02.2021
3.	Ms Anjali Kumari /PHDLS/ SOS	Assessment of Carbon Sequestration Potential of Indira Gandhi National Open University Campus	Prof. Jaswant Sokhi and Dr. Y.S.C Khuman	Prof. Amrita Nigam and Dr. Y.S.C Khuman	16/03/2020 22/10/2020
4.	Parbhudas Barre 188501143 / PHDDE, STRIDE (SOE)	A Study on the Perceived Effectiveness of OER Adoption by Open University and Dual Mode Institutions in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telengana	Prof. CRK Murthy	Dr. Amiteshwar Ratra	39th DRC on 11.3.2020 SB on 1.9.2020



5.	Farah Diba 188501040 / PHDDE, STRIDE (SOE)	A Study on Problems and Challenges Faced by Undergraduate Women Distance Learners Studying through Hindi Medium	Prof. CRK Murthy	Dr. Anita Priyadarshini	39th DRC on 11.3.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
6.	Rikisha Bhaumik 188500997 / PHDDE, STRIDE (SOE)	A Study on Continuing Professional Development in Distance Education System: Developing a Framework for Online Continuing Professional Development for Distance Teachers	Prof. CRK Murthy	Dr. Anita Priyadarshini	39th DRC on 11.3.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
7.	Anupam Saxena PHDDE Enrol. No 188500980 STRIDE (SOE)	Intellectual Meritocracy in Open and Distance Learning: A Case Study of IGNOU	Prof. Madhu Prahar	Dr. Ali Asgar	40thDRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
8.	Noor Aisha PHDDE Enrol. No 188501032 STRIDE (SOE)	A Study on the Instructional Design Aspects in Blended Learning Programmes and their Implementation	Prof. Santosh Panda	Dr. AmiteshwarRat ra	40thDRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
9.	Rajiv Kumar PHDHIS 149500740 HISTORY (SOSS)	Colonial Recruitment and Remittance: A Study of Fiji Indian Indentured Labour, 1879- 1920	Prof. Kapil Kumar	Prof. Swaraj Basu	24.1.2020 19.2.2020



10.	Mamta Anand PHDDE Enrol.no.18850 1168 STRIDE (SOE)	Usage and Perceived Benefits of Media and Multimedia Technology in Distance Teaching- Learning: A Study on IGNOU	Prof. Manjulika Srivastava	Dr. Pulla Lakshmi	40 th DRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
11.	Balla Nageshwar Rao Enrol. No.188500919 STRIDE (SOE)	A Study of Inclusive Practices of Teachers Trained Through Open Distance Learning and Traditional System	Prof. Santosh Panda	Dr. Pulla Lakshmi	40 th DRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
12.	Parvesh Kumari Enrol.no.18850 0893 STRIDE (SOE)	A Study on Continuous Assessment in Selected Open & Distance Learning Programmes of IGNOU	Prof. Madhu Prahar	Dr. Ali Asgar	40 th DRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020
13.	Khalid Waquar Abid Enrol.no. 188500940 STRIDE (SOE)	A Comparative Study of Media Preferences and Challenges Faced by Distance Learners	Prof. Madhu Prahar	Dr. Ali Asgar	40 th DRC on 31.8.2020 SB on 1.9.2020



RC 29.8.2 The Research Council approved the change of Supervisor(s) in respect of the Research Scholars duly recommended by their respective DRCs/SBs listed in the Table above.

RC 29.9 **To Consider approval of Deregistration /cancellation of registration of PhD scholars.**

RC 29.9.1 The Member Secretary presented the agenda in detail. The members were apprised that the cancellation of registration in each of the following case was recommended by the concerned DRC and School Board after giving opportunity to the students to be heard.

S.No.	Name of the Candidate and Enrollment No. and Programme	Title of PhD Thesis	Reason for Deregistration / Cancellation	Details of DRC /SB
1.	Shashank Sourabh (188501523) PHDEV	Ecosystem Based Livelihood Pattern Analysis of Tribal Communities in Bhabua (Kaimur) District, Bihar	Personal Reasons	27.7.2020 12.11.2020
2.	Ms. Sangeeta Majumdar (188500592) PHDAN	Not assigned	Non submission of Research Proposal. Student not responsive.	7.02.2020 19.02.2020
3.	Shakti Suman En.No.173101830 PHDGEOG	Geographical Patterns and Processes of Beggary-A case study of Delhi	Non submission of Progress Reports. No communication from the Student	27-11-2020 10-12-2020
4.	Bhawana Jain, 149500425 PHDTS / SOTHSM	The Tourist Economy of Ramlilas : An Examination of Delhi – Based Theatrical and Electronic Ramlilas	Personal Problems. Discontinued on own volition	8 th December 2020 19 th January 2021
5.	Montu Saini 149500511 PHDTS / SOTHSM	Critical Analysis of Executive Chef's Role in Hospitality Operations: An Evaluative Case Study of Delhi Based Five Star Hotels	Non submission of assigned work	12 th November 2020 19 th January 2021
6.	Ms. Shruti Nagpal 118701078 / PHDJMC /SOJNMS		No progress shown, thesis not submitted, No contact with the supervisor. Validity of Registration expired	5&6.10.2020 9.3.2021



	7.	Sh. Dharmbir 118700979 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	<i>Gramin Jeevan Shaili par Media ka Prabhav: Haryana ke do Jilon ka Tulnatmak Adhyayan</i>	No progress shown, thesis not submitted, not in contact with the supervisor for a long time. Tenure ended.	5&6.10.2020 9.3.2021
	8.	Sh. Mohammad Kasim 127723869 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Adoption of Online Social Media Among University Students and Teachers in Pedagogical Process	No progress shown, thesis not submitted, not in contact with the supervisor for a long time. Tenure ended.	5&6.10.2020 9.3.2021
	9.	Ms. Kriti Singh 127723890 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	India Pakistan Conflict with Special Reference to Jammu & Kashmir: Study of Indian Press	No progress shown, thesis not submitted, not in contact with the supervisor for a long time. Tenure ended.	5&6.10.2020 9.3.2021
	10.	Ms. Bhawna G. Nayar 127723916 / PHDJMC / SOJNMS	Efficacy of Self-regulation of content in Television Broadcasting in India	No progress shown, thesis not submitted, not in contact with the supervisor for a long time. Tenure ended.	5&6.10.2020 9.3.2021

RC 29.9.2

The Council observed that the reasons for cancellation of registration as recommended in respect of students vary from case to case comprising both personal reasons as well as non-compliance of prescribed norms. The Council suggested that the cases of withdrawal from research programme by the registered student(s) owing to personal reasons should be segregated from the cases where cancellation has been recommended by the DRC and School Boards on the ground of unsatisfactory progress/ non-compliance of norms. A notification in this regard be also issued.

The Research Council approved the Cancellation of registration of above listed PhD scholars as recommended by their respective DRCs and School Boards.

RC 29.10

To Consider reviewing the cancellation of registration of Mr. Dharmendra Kumar, E.No.173103421, Ph. D. Research Scholar, Computer Science (SOCIS).



<p>RC 29.10.1</p>	<p>The Member Secretary presented the agenda in detail. The Member Secretary informed the members that Sh Dramendra Kumar , a PhD scholar of Computer Science (SOCIS) was registered in the year 2017 bearing Enrl. No. 173103421. However, due to unsatisfactory progress, the Doctoral Research Committee of Computer Science recommended cancellation of his registration, which was further endorsed by the School Board. The cancellation of registration was also placed before the Research Council at its 28th meeting of the Research Council held on 8th September 2020. In between, the Research scholar submitted a representation, requesting to review the decision of the University, cancelling his registration on the ground that <i>he had not been given a fair chance to present his synopsis before the DRC, despite substantial work done and submitted to the guide and identifying problem statement explicitly.</i></p> <p>The Matter was referred to the Grievance Redressal committee which asked the Research Unit to convene a meeting of the Grievance Redressal Committee. Accordingly, the Committee met on 3rd December 2020 in which the concerned Supervisor and the Director SOCIS were present to explain their stand. The Committee after due deliberations with the Supervisor and Director of the School and taking into account the submissions of the student recommended the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The case may be processed for review of decision of cancellation of PhD registration. An opportunity may be provided to the Scholar to submit the synopsis and complete his PhD. 2. The recommendation of the Committee may be placed before the Competent Authority. 3. After obtaining the approval of the Competent Authority, the Research Unit will intimate to the scholar that his representation is being examined by the Grievance Redressal Committee. <p>As per the recommendations of the Committee, the student was given an interim reply.</p>
<p>RC 29.10.2</p>	<p>The members noted the observations and recommendations of the Grievance Committee. The members reiterated that any cancellation of registration must be preceded by a due procedure as per norms wherein the student has to be provided with due opportunity to be heard which should be properly documented before recommending cancellation of registration.</p> <p>The Research Council accepted the recommendation of Grievance Redressal Committee and decided to give an opportunity to Shri Dharmendra Kumar for his PhD Research subject to fulfillment of prescribed norms.</p>
<p>RC 29.11</p>	<p>To Consider the University Grants Commission Notification considering CA/CS/ICWA qualifications equivalent to PG Degree.</p>

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RC 29.11.1	The Member Secretary presented the agenda. The Member Secretary informed about the University Grants Commission's Notification D.O No.9-35/2016(CPP-II) dated 15 th March 2021 on resolution of UGC at its 550 th Meeting held on 18 th February 2021 regarding equivalence of CA/CS/ICWA qualifications equivalent to PG Degree.
RC29.11.2	The Research Council noted the notification of UGC considering CA/CS/ICWA qualifications equivalent to PG Degree and advised to place it before the Academic Council.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



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