RAITY GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

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Proceedings

Proceedings of the meeting of RGNUL Academic Council held on 28th May 2020 through On-Line Mode.

Following members were present (online)

(1)	PROFESSOR (DR.) PARAMJIT S. JASWAL. Vice-Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala	Chairperson
(2)	PROFESSOR (DR.) FAIZAN MUSTAFA Vice Chancellor, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad	Member
(3)	PROFESSOR (DR.) HARPREET KAUR Director, Centre for Corporate Law and Governance National Law University, New Delhi	Member
(4)	MR. KARANJIT SINGH Chairman, State Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh – 160 022	Member
(5)	PROFESSOR (DR.) ANAND PAWAR Professor of Law, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala	Member
(6)	DR. SHARANJIT Associate Professor of Law, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala	Member
(7)	DR. VIPAN KUMAR GOYAL Assistant Professor of Law, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala	Member
(8)	PROFESSOR (DR.) NARESH KUMAR VATS Registrar, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala	Member



Prof. Meena Sehgal and Mr. Manan Kumar Mishra could not attend the meeting.

Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal welcomed the members and thanked them for joining Urgent On-Line Meeting of RGNUL Academic Council during lockdown period.

ITEM (1) To consider and confirm the recommendations of Covid-19 Committee regarding the holding of On-Line Open Book examination of outgoing batch of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Final Year and LL.M.

Vice-Chancellor informed the Hon'ble members of Academic Council that the University has received representation from students through email in which it was requested that open book examination may be conducted for the outgoing batch i.e. B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) final year, immediately after the summer vacations i.e. after 15th June 2020. Vice Chancellor apprised the members of Academic Council that the students have made various suggestions including that the duration of examination be of 6 hours. Members were apprised that the representation of the students was considered and deliberated upon by members of RGNUL Covid -19 Committee in its online meeting on 26th May 2020 and the Report of the Committee is being placed before the Academic Council for its consideration and decision.

Vice-Chancellor apprised the members that COVID-19 Committee after thoughtful consideration has recommended as under:

- 1) That the examination for outgoing students of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Course and LL.M. Course be held online i.e. open book examination.
- 2) That the examination may commence from 01st July 2020 ensuring compliance with UGC Recommendations and; the fact that there are summer vacations till 15th June and; further keeping in view the time required for paper setting and for making other preparations.
- 3) That the question paper shall consist of 50 marks and duration shall be of two hours duration and additional one hour shall be given for uploading, emailing and/or sending the answer script to the University at the prescribed platform in the prescribed format. This apart, one hour additional shall be given to the persons with special abilities (SAP). Committee has considered the representation of the students for allowing six hours as time duration for the exam and after considering the request of students, committee has recommended to reduce the length of the paper to one half and accordingly three hours (two hours for attempting plus one hour for sending/uploading) are allowed to the students in consonance with the demand of students.
- 4) That the question paper shall consist of two parts. Section A shall consist of four compulsory questions divided equally from all the modules and each question shall carry five marks. Section B shall consist of four questions of 15 marks each and questions shall be from all the modules. Students shall be required to attempt any two questions. Question papers shall be prepared and moderated in accordance with needs and requirements of open book examination.



5) Those students who are unable to appear due to connectivity issues or other related issues, University shall conduct physical examination for all such students at a later date (to be notified by the University). Keeping in view exceptional circumstances and in the best interest of the students, it is recommended that such examination shall be treated as first attempt and shall not be treated as reappear or repeat examination

Vice-Chancellor informed the Hon'ble members of Academic Council that the proposal and recommendations are in the best interest of the outgoing students as they have to go for further studies or join the profession and/or employment/ internship.

During the meeting, Prof. Faizan Mustafa, VC, NALSAR, Hyderabad, raised the concern of students of first four years of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) course and informed the Council that he has received email from students regarding their evaluation and promotion to the next higher class. Vice-Chancellor informed the Hon'ble member that Covid-19 Committee had in its report dated 01st May 2020 recommended that students of first four years of study shall be promoted to next class and no student shall be detained in this semester. The recommendations of the RGNUL Covid-19 Committee were approved by the Academic Council in its meeting dated 06th May 2020. Vice-Chancellor further informed the members that the modalities for evaluation and promotion to the next higher class are under consideration and being worked out by the Covid-19 Committee.

Decision:

Hon'ble members of the Academic Council, after deliberations and thoughtful consideration, unanimously resolved to approve the proposal of the RGNUL COVID-19 Committee to conduct open book online examination of outgoing students of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC Course, (X Semester) and LL.M. (One Year Course), i.e., Outgoing batches, from 01st July 2020. It was further resolved that students shall be given one and half hours to upload the answer scripts. For students, who are unable to appear due to connectivity issues or other related issues, the University shall conduct examination at a later date (to be notified by the University). Other proposals of the RGNUL COVID-19 Committee were approved as such. It was also unanimously resolved to authorize RGNUL COVID 19 Committee to work out the modalities for smooth conduct of the examination with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor.

Vice-Chancellor thanked the Hon'ble members for their valuable inputs in the course of discussion and for sparing their valuable time during the lockdown period. Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar

Vice-Chancellor