



RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

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MINUTES OF THE 37th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 16-05-2024 AT 04:00 PM THROUGH BLENDED MODE AT RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

Members were present:

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| (1) | PROF. (DR.) JAI S. SINGH
Vice-Chancellor,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala | Chairman |
| (2) | SH. DEEPAK BALYAN
Additional Advocate General (Haryana),
Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh | Member
(Joined Online) |
| (3) | MR. ASHOK SINGLA
Chairman, State Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana,
Chandigarh – 160 022 | Member
(Joined Online) |
| (4) | PROF. (DR.) SHARANJIT
Professor of Law,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member |
| (5) | PROF. (DR.) KAMALJIT KAUR
Professor of Law,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member |
| (6) | PROF. (DR.) NARESH KUMAR VATS
Professor of Law,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined Online) |
| (7) | DR. GURMANPREET KAUR
Associate Professor of Law,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member |
| (8) | DR. JASWINDER KAUR
Assistant Professor of Law,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member |
| (9) | PROF. (DR.) ANAND PAWAR
Registrar,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Secretary |

Prof. (Dr.) Mamta Rao, Head Deptt. of Post Graduate Studies and Research in Law, Rani Durgavati Viswavidyalaya, Jabalpur, Sh. Amit Jhanji, Senior Advocate, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh and Mr. Manan Kumar Mishra, Chairman, BCI, New Delhi, could not attend the meeting. The Chairman permitted the absence of Members.

At the outset, the members of the Academic Council welcomed and congratulated the Chairman, Prof. (Dr.) Jai S. Singh on joining as Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL, Punjab.

Prof. (Dr.) Jai S. Singh, Vice-Chancellor (Chairperson) welcomed the members of the Academic Council and thanked them for taking out valuable time from their busy schedule for joining the meeting.

The Chairman presented the agenda of the meeting. The following decisions were taken by the Academic Council:

Item No.	Particulars of Agenda Item(s)	Decision(s)
1	To confirm the Action Taken Report of the 35 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 15 th July, 2023	The Academic Council confirmed the Action Taken Report of the 35 th Academic Council Meeting held on 15 th July, 2023.
2	To confirm the Minutes and Action Taken Report of the 36 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 8 th February, 2024	The Academic Council confirmed the Minutes and Action Taken Report of the 36 th Academic Council Meeting held on 8 th February, 2024.
3	To confirm the recommendation of the Reviewing Committee for re-appointment of Ms. Aditi Dubey, Assistant Professor of Political Science, against leave vacancy	The Academic Council confirmed the recommendations of the Reviewing Committee for re-appointment of Ms. Aditi Dubey on earlier terms and conditions. Further recommended to the Executive Council for confirmation.
4	To confirm the proceedings of the IQAC meeting held on 6 th April 2024 through blended mode	The Academic Council deliberated on the minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 6 th April, 2024 and confirmed the proceedings. Further recommended to the Executive Council for confirmation.
5	To note the recommendation of the Doctoral Committee for award of Ph.D. Degree in Law and Social Science to the following Research Scholars: (i) Ms. Rajwanti on her thesis on the topic "Restorative Justice: A Study with Special Reference to Victims of Sexual Offences"; (ii) Ms. Parineeta Goswami on her thesis "Insolvency and Bankruptcy Law in India: A Critique"; (iii) Ms. Teghbir Kaur on her Thesis "Inter-State River Water Disputes in South Asia: Human	The Academic Council noted the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee for award of Ph.D. Degree in Law to Ms Rajwanti and Prineeta Goswami and to Ms Tegbir Kaur in Social Science. Further recommended to the Executive Council for reporting.

	Rights Perspective";	
6	<p>To note the following Memorandum of Understanding (MoU's) signed/proposed to be signed by the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab with the Organizations/ Institutions of repute in India:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chanakya National Law University, Patna 2. Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Visakhapatnam 3. G.D. Goenka, University, Delhi NCR 	<p>The Academic Council noted the following MoUs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chanakya National Law University, Patna 2. Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University, Visakhapatnam 3. G.D. Goenka, University, Delhi NCR <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for reporting.</p>
7	To approve the decision of CDC to stop use of Bare Acts in Examinations at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council deliberated on the reasons cited in the agenda items to stop use of Bare Acts in Examination.</p> <p>Hon'ble members Mr. Ashok Singla and Mr. Deepak Balyan have made their strong recommendations to stop use of Bare Acts in any examinations of UG and PG course at RGNUL.</p> <p>After consideration the Academic Council approved the recommendation of the CDC to stop use of Bare Acts in Examination at RGNUL, Punjab</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
8	To consider the proposed Diploma Courses in various areas at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the proposed format of the Diploma Courses and Regulations with regard to Diploma/ Certificate Courses, which were approved by the AC and EC previously.</p> <p>After consideration the Academic Council approved the following Diploma Courses and format which were proposed by the RGNUL:</p> <p>Cyber Law and Artificial Intelligence,</p>

		<p>Taxation Law, Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, Pre-Marital Counselling, Indian Knowledge Systems in Global Governance, Human Resource Law and Management, Arbitration, Conciliation and Mediation, Sports Law, Gender Justice.</p> <p>With reference to implementation of these proposed courses the Academic Council members authorised the Vice Chancellor to make necessary changes wherever required to take permission from the UGC or for any other purpose. The changes may be informed to the members of AC in subsequent meetings.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
9	To consider the proposed Scheme of Study for the Academic Session 2024-29 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the Scheme of Study for the Academic Session 2024-29 and approved the same.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
10	To consider the proposal for increase of LL.M. Seats from 60 to 80 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council approved the proposal for increase of LL.M. Seats from 60 to 80 considering the object/purpose and maximum utilization of University resources.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
11	To consider the proposed scheme of study for the students of 4 th Year (Batch 2021) at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the proposed scheme of study for the students of 4th Year (Batch 2021). After consideration the Academic Council approved the Curriculum Development Committee (CDC) recommendation for International Law specialization in Honors Course subject to</p>




		minimum number 30 students with discretion of university authority as per availability of the resources. Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
12	To consider the information received from the other NLUs with regard to single girl child category/quota at RGNUL for the Session 2024-25 onwards at RGNUL, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the information received from other NLUs regarding the single girl child category/quota at RGNUL for the Session 2024-25 onwards.</p> <p>After consideration the Academic Council decided not to adopt the single girl child category/quota at RGNUL, Punjab.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
13	To consider the information received from other NLUs with regard to conferring of Honorary Degrees to Late Sohini Bose and Late Sehaj Singh Cheema, students of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) at RGNUL, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the information received from other NLUs/ Institutions for conferring of Honorary Degrees to Late Sohini Bose and Late Sehaj Singh Cheema.</p> <p>After thoughtful deliberations the Academic Council decided to not to confer of Honorary Degree in such cases in absence of specific rules or regulations.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
14	To consider award of the Degrees in the upcoming Convocation to the students of different courses who qualified their final examination	The Academic Council considered the list of the students of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) (Batch 2015-20, 2016-21, 2017-22 & 2018-23), LL.M. One Year Course (Batch 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 & 2022-23), Ph.D. and LL.D. for award of the Degrees in the upcoming Convocation to the students of different


		<p>courses after qualifying their final examination.</p> <p>The Academic Council approved the list of students for award of Degree.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
15	To approve the proposal for amendment in the attendance rules at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	<p>The Academic Council considered the following proposal for amendment in the attendance rules and approved:</p> <p>5. CLASS ATTENDANCE</p> <p><i>5.1 Every student shall be required to attend minimum 70% (As per BCI Rule) lectures in each subject during the semester.</i></p> <p><i>5.2 If any student falls short of attendance he/she shall not be allowed to appear in the end semester examination.</i></p> <p><i>5.3 Additionally, as prescribed by BCI, the Moot (Internal/External) exercise/ Medication/ Conciliation/ tutorial/ Client/ practical and other outreach activities to be included as verified by concerned Authority/Teachers/ Incharge provided the student has attended at least 65% of the classes.</i></p> <p><i>Note: Assessment Internship to be added as practical training</i></p> <p><i>5.4 (i) In case of serious ailments when a student is admitted as an in-patient in a clinic/hospital or otherwise confined to bed the number of classes missed will be deducted from the total classes held and attendance shall be calculated accordingly. Provided such student must have actually attended at least 50% of the lectures delivered to that class without the aforesaid relaxation.</i></p> <p><i>5.4 (ii) The students are required to submit their medical certificate, issued by a qualified doctor who administrated the treatment, immediately on joining University after their illness/confinement, to be duly countersigned by the University Medical Officer.</i></p> <p><i>(iii) Subsequent submission of medical certificate shall not be considered for medical leave.</i></p>

		<p>5.5 The Vice-Chancellor shall constitute a Condonation Committee to recommend condonation/ addition of attendance as per rules.</p> <p>5.6 Deleted</p> <p>5.7 Subject to the provisions in rules 5.3 and 5.4 above, a student with less than 65% per cent of attendance shall not be allowed to appear in the End-Term Examination. Provided that the Vice-Chancellor may consider extreme cases of hardship on the recommendation of the Condonation Committee referred to rule 5.5 and allow a student to appear in the examination. Cases so allowed are to be put before the Executive Council at its next meeting for information.</p> <p>5.8 In case of late admission the attendance shall be counted as under:</p> <p>(i) From the date of admission for the first year class.</p> <p>(ii) For other classes a student shall be deemed to have been admitted from the scheduled date of commencement of classes or one week of the date when he/she becomes eligible for admission, whichever is later, irrespective of date of deposit of fee.</p> <p>Notes: (i) In exceptional genuine cases, where the hospitalization is not necessary, the Committee will accept Medical Certificate from a qualified Medical Practitioner and the same must be endorsed by the Medical Officer of the University.</p> <p>(ii) The decision of the Committee on the acceptance or otherwise of the Medical Certificate produced by the student shall be final.</p> <p>(iii) In case it is found that any medical certificate submitted is false disciplinary action shall be initiated.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
16	To consider the request of Mr. Parth Gupta, student of 6 th Semester, B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) at RGNUL for issuance of B.A. Degree to join Indian	The Academic Council deliberated upon request of Mr. Parth Gupta, student of 6 th Semester, B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) for issuance of




	Military Academy, Dehradun	<p>B.A. Degree to join Indian Military Academy and recommendations of the Committee in length.</p> <p>After thoughtful deliberations the Academic Council approved the recommendation of the committee to not to issue the degree in absence of any rules for such cases, however certificate may be issued as per draft annexed. The certificate may be issued to Mr. Parth Gupta 6th Semester, B.A.L.L.B.(Hons.)</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
	Any other item with permission of the Chair	
17	To consider the matter regarding extension of certificate issued to Law Maitry Pvt. Ltd.	<p>The Academic Council deliberated on the item and unanimously resolved to not to extend it further after 31st December 2024.</p> <p>Hon'ble Members Mr. Deepak Balyan and Mr. Ashok Singla have made their observation to not to grant any such certificate without any review mechanism of performance analysis.</p> <p>Further recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>

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


16/05/2024

VICE-CHANCELLOR



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