

श्री माता वैष्णो देवी विश्वविद्यालय Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University

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MINUTES OF THE 24TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 18TH OF SEPTEMBER, 2015 IN THE COUNCIL HALL, MATRIKA AUDITORIUM, SMVDU CAMPUS

The 24th meeting of the Academic Council of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) was held on 18th September, 2015 at 10:30 A.M in the Council Hall, Matrika Auditorium, at SMVDU Campus.

2. The following attended the meeting:

	and with determined the meeting;	
i.	Prof. Sudhir K. Jain Vice Chancellor	In-Chair
∠ ii.	Prof. Suneet Tuli Dean R&D & Ex-HoD, CARE, I.I.T. Delhi.	Member (External)
iii.	Prof. Sunil Kale HoD, Mcchanical Engg. Department	Member (External)
iv.	Dr. Ram Vishawakarma, Director, I.I.I.M. Jammu	Member (External)
V.	Prof. (Dr.) V. Verma Dean, Faculty of Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
vi.	Prof. V. K. Bhat Dean, Faculty of Management	Ex-Officio Member
vii.	Mr. Subrata Deb	Ex-Officio Member
yiii.	Dr. Yugal Khajuria I/c Dean of Students & Director I/c School of Physics	Ex-Officio Member
√ix.	Dr. Vandhana Sharma, I/c Dean, Faculty of HSS & Director, School of Languages & Literature	Ex-Officio Member
√x.	Ar. Aditya K Singh Director, School of Architecture & Landscape Design	Ex-Officio Member
xi.	Dr. V. K. Tripathi Director. School of Philosophy & Culture	Ex-Officio Member
√xii.	Dr. Amit Kant Pandit Director, School of Electronics & Communication Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
xiii.	Dr. Jyoti Sharma Director, School of Business	Ex-Officio Member
viv.	Dr S K Wanchoo	Ex-Officio Member
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/xvi.	Dr. Ankush Anand Director I/c, School of Mechanical Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
xvii.	Dr. A. K. Das Director I/c, School of Mathematics	Ex-Officio Member
_xviii.	Dr. Kakali Majumdar Director I/c, School of Economics	Ex-Officio Member
xix.	Dr. Sanjeev Anand Director I/c, School of Energy Management	Ex-Officio Member
xx.	Mr. Ajay Khajuria Registrar, SMVDU	Secretary
xxi.	Dr. Sumeet Gupta I/c Associate Dean (Academic Affairs)	Invitee

- 3. Prof. Rakesh Mohan Joshi, Chairperson (International Collaborations) Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi, Prof. Ratnamala Chatterjee, Department of Physics, I.I.T. Delhi & Prof. Manoj Kumar Panda, Director, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments and were granted leave of absence. The Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members present, and in particular the external members.
- 4. At the outset the Vice Chancellor conveyed his regrets to all Members present for having not been able to provide the Agenda to the Hon'ble Members timely since the Agenda was placed before the Members just before the conduct of Meeting. He further directed that every effort must be made to ensure that the Agenda is available to the members well in time henceforth. Thereafter the Agenda Items were taken up one by one.

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 22 nd & 23 rd meetings of the
Item	Academic Council held on 10/10/2014 & 15/04/2015 respectively
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4.1.1 The Council confirmed the minutes of the 22nd & 23rd meetings of the Academic Council held on 10/10/2014 & 15/04/2015 respectively.

Agenda	Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the 22 nd and 23 rd
Item	meetings of Academic Council held on 10 th October, 2014 and 15 th
No.24.2	April, 2015 respectively at SMVDU Campus

4.2.1 The Council noted the action taken by the University on the decisions/ recommendations of the Academic Council in its 22nd and 23rd meetings held on 10th October, 2014 and 15th April, 2015 respectively. It was advised by Prof. Suneet Tuli that the University should also explore the possibility of providing

Assistantships/Scholarships for Ph.D. students through the agencies of the Government / Ministries like DST, DBT CSIR, MNRE, MHRD etc., which are separately available.

It was resolved that the Directors of the Schools will look at the relevant Ministries/Agencies of the Government which provided for such Assistantships and approach them for the same, as applicable.

Agenda Item No.24.3 Consideration of the recommendations made by the Board of Academics, Research & Consultancy (BARC) in their meetings held on 30/04/2015, 13/05/2015 & 14/09/2015.

Agenda Item Review of Students Merit-cum-Means Scholarship Scheme (SMMSS)

No. 24.3.1

- 4.3.1.1 The Academic Council considered the following recommendations of the BARC regarding the revision of Students Merit-cum-Means Scholarship Scheme (SMMSS) and recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.
 - i. "Instead of CGPA, the SGPA obtained in that semester be used as the measure of performance of the students for award of scholarship subject to the condition that the student eligible for award of scholarship must have registered for all courses in that semester as per program structure and should not have any current academic backlog after declaration of result of that semester".
 - ii. "Newly admitted students of MBA program, who secure a minimum of 75 percentile in their CAT Exam or 85 percentile in their MAT/CMAT exam are eligible for the benefit of SMMSS in their 1st Semester".
- 4.3.1.2 Prof. Sunil Kale informed the Council members that Government of India had recently increased the upper limit of the gross annual family income from Rs. 2.00 lacs to Rs. 4.00 Lacs for any consideration under the category hailing from 'Poor Background' and the same be revised accordingly after studying the relevant decision.

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Agenda Adopting UGC guidelines on Choice Based Credit System Item (CBCS) at SMVDU

No. 24.3.2

- 4.3.2.1 The Academic Council considered the following recommendations of the BARC w.r.t. adopting UGC Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) at SMVDU and recommended the same to Executive Council for consideration.
 - SMVD University, by virtue of having adopted the IIT system of education from the beginning, already follows major components of the CBCS philosophy.
 - List of Foundation courses (compulsory and elective) as stated in the UGC-CBCS guidelines are to be prepared by all Academic Schools.
 - iii. The Grading System, which was recently adopted from the Academic Session 2013-14, may not be changed to the CBCS system as frequent changes are not desirable due to the possible confusion that will be caused among the external stake-holders. The grading system as per current CBCS guidelines may be considered for adoption, after lapse of a reasonable time period.
 - iv. The current methodology for calculation of CGPA & SGPA may continue.
 - v. External evaluation component may be introduced by sending about 20% of all Major Examination question papers from each School, along with the Syllabus of concerned course, after the conduct of Major Examination, to external experts for the purpose of needed feedback on the standard of the question paper, balanced coverage of topics etc. for rightful use by the Course Coordinators as well as the University Authorities.
- 4.3.2.2 Prof. Sunil Kale, while discussing the matter w.r.t. External evaluation component suggested the methodology of preparing a "Course File" for each Course at the School level, which shall contain all question papers, quiz(s), answer sheets etc. and the same shall be got reviewed periodically after every two years by External Experts by inviting them and the feedback of the Experts on the course, its methodology and outcome be recorded. Such system exists in several good upcoming universities worldwide.

- 4.3.2.3 The Council endorsed the suggestions for adoption towards the component of External Evaluation
- 4.3.2.4 He further suggested that Internal review by all School Academic Affairs Committees for the various courses be taken up by the Schools after each semester and the same should be properly documented at School level which will also be helpful towards NAAC Accreditation.
- 4.3.2.5 The Council endorsed the suggestions for adoption by each School.

Agenda Item No. 24.3.3

Starting of Full-Time M.Tech. (Renewable Energy) Program from the Academic session 2016-17/2017-18

4.3.3.1 The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the BARC regarding starting of Full-Time M.Tech. (Renewable Energy) Program from the Academic session 2016-17/2017-18 subject to obtaining AICTE approval. The Council recommends initiation of the M.Tech.(Renewable Energy) program to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Item

Introduction of Scheme of Inter-University Credit transfer at SMVDU

No. 24.3.4

4.3.4.1 The Academic Council considered the proposal of BARC for Introduction of Scheme of Inter-University Credit transfer at SMVDU may be introduced for such Universities with which SMVDU enters into or already has entered into a MoU for the said purpose. Further, it was also decided that a Committee be constituted for studying the issue of Inter-University Credit transfer and establishing parity of courses and their due weight-age for all programs for the Universities with whom SMVDU has entered into a MoU. The Committee will compare the credit requirements of the relevant programs offered at such Universities vis-a-vis SMVDU and establish the due weight-age of credits which could be recognized as transfer credits. The Academic Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

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Agenda Constitution of 'School Research Committee' in all Item No. Academic Schools for conduct of all matters pertaining to 24.3.5 research including Ph.D. program

- 4.3.5.1 The Academic Council approved the proposal of BARC for constituting of School Research Committee (SRC) in all Academic Schools for conduct of all matters pertaining to research including Ph.D. program in place of Faculty Research Committee (FRC). The School Research Committee (SRC) shall comprise of the following:
 - 1. Dean of Academic Faculty Chairman
 - 2. Director of School Vice-Chairman
 - 3. One or two Directors of proximate Schools or their nominee (Ph.D. qualified)
 - 4. Five School faculty members (Ph.D. qualified) [or Associate Faculty Members of the School, incase the Ph.D. qualified faculty members are less than the requisite member from within the School].
 - 5. Other faculty members of the School including supervisor & co-supervisors may be invitees to the meetings as per need
- 4.3.5.2 The Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) of the School will recommend Five School faculty members of whom one will be nominated as Member Secretary by the Director of School who will also nominate the Director(s) of the proximate School(s) to the SRC. With respect to issue of Five School Faculty Members, Associate Faculty members of the School may be included if adequate number of eligible School faculty members are not available for membership of SRC.
- 4.3.5.3 School Research Committee will be constituted for one year, for the term 1st October to 30th September so as to enable completion of admission process in the beginning of the Academic Session by the outgoing SRC. The SRC will be notified after the approval of the Competent Authority every year.
- 4.3.5.4 School Research Committee will be responsible for the conduct and monitoring of all matters relating to research, consultancy and Ph.D. program including admissions, comprehensive examination, mid-term review of progress, approval of synopsis & panel of examiners etc.
- 4.3.5.5 Dr. Ram Vishawakarma suggested that a **Doctoral Student Research Committee (DSRC)** should be constituted for each Ph.D. student to



evaluate the progress of the student after the end of the each semester. The DSRC will comprise the following:

- a) Ph.D. Supervisor Coordinator
- b) Ph.D. Joint Supervisor(s)/ Co-Supervisor(s)
- c) Expert Faculty Member from the School
- d) Expert Faculty Member from allied School
- e) External Expert Faculty Member

All the members of DSRC should be Ph.D. qualified.

- 4.3.5.6 The Ph.D. Supervisor shall propose a penal of members to the Committee, in consultation with the Director of the School and the School Research Committee shall provide recommendations regarding constitution of the committee. The feedback of the evaluation done by the committee, in each semester, will be provided to Ph.D. student preferably in writing. The DSRC will also be responsible for review of the progress of the doctoral student for consideration of the request, if any, of the Ph.D. students regarding enhancement of Assistantship (as applicable), extension in the Ph.D. program beyond five years, conversion of Ph.D. registration from Full-Time to Part-Time or vice-versa, and other similar matters.
- 4.3.5.7 The council endorsed the suggestion and recommended the same for adoption.
- 4.3.5.8 Prof. Sunil Kale suggested that Seminars should be regularly held at School Level for promoting research environment in the School. These shall be open to all UG/PG/ Ph.D. students.
- 4.3.5.9 Prof. Suneet Tuli suggested an upward revision of the Credit requirements for the Pre-Ph.D. Course Work keeping in mind the trend at other premier Educational Institutions, internationally, imparting Higher Education. He further suggested encouraging Ph.D. students to take courses from Inter-disciplinary fields such as may be relevant and available.
- 4.3.5.10 The Council resolved that the matter may be studied at the University and a suitable proposal in this regards may be placed before the Academic Council in its next meeting.
- 4.3.5.11 The above recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to Executive Council for consideration and approval. If approved the

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Ph.D. Ordinances of the University shall be modified accordingly.

Agenda Admission Process for Ph.D. program Item

No. 24.3.6

- 4.3.6.1 The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the BARC for standardizing the process of admission to Ph.D. as under:
 - a) The Written Test of candidates being conducted for admission to Ph.D. Program shall be treated as a qualifying criteria (screening test) for proceeding to the Interview process. Subsequent ranking of the candidates shall be hased on the Interview, which may implicitly take into account all remaining factors related to the merit of the candidates.
 - b) The cut-off marks to be kept for passing the Written Test may be decided by the concerned FRC keeping in view the nature of difficulty level of Written Test and related considerations like vacancy position, number of applicants etc.
- 4.3.6.2 The Academic Council also considered that the candidates without NET/GATE qualification will also be eligible for admission to full-time Ph.D. program in Engineering Schools, provided they meet all other eligibility criteria as mentioned in Ph.D. Ordinance. Such candidate will be required to qualify the Written Test, as part of admission process. The present requirement of having NET/GATE qualification as eligibility criteria for admission to full-time Ph.D. program in the Schools, offering various engineering programs, shall be dispensed with. However, only the NET/GATE qualified applicants would be eligible for Assistantship, if selected subject to other regulations regarding the award of Assistantship.
- 4.3.6.3 The above recommendations of the Academic Council, after approval of the Executive Council, shall be incorporated in the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University which shall stand modified accordingly.



Agenda Item No. 24.3.7 Adoption of New & Modified formats pertaining to Ph.D.

- 4.3.7.1 The Academic Council considered the proposal of BARC for adoption of new and modified formats pertaining to
 - I. Compilation to Ph.D. thesis by the research scholars pursuing Ph.D. program.
 - II. Examiners Report format for Ph.D. thesis.
 - III. List of Examiners and Synopsis of Ph.D. thesis format.
- 4.3.7.2 Prof. Suneet Tuli also suggested that the Thesis report should include the name(s) of the External Examiner(s)/Evaluation Committee & Doctoral Committee who also contributed towards the successful completion of Ph.D. Degree of the student.
- 4.3.7.3 The above recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to Executive Council for consideration and approval. If approved the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University shall be modified accordingly.

Agenda Establishment of Hindi Karyalay Nideshalay and Item appointment of Nodal Officer No. 24.3.8

4.3.8.1 The Academic Council considered the recommendations of BARC w.r.t. Establishment of Hindi Karyalay Nideshalay and appointment of Nodal Officer as per the directions of UGC. The recommendations of the Academic Council shall be submitted to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Modification in Evaluation pattern in terms of Minor & Item Major Exams And Assignments & Quiz No. 24.3.9

4.3.9.1 The Academic Council considered the proposal of BARC w.r.t. modification in Evaluation pattern in terms of Minor & Major Exams and Assignments & Quiz and recommended that a faculty member would have the flexibility to choose one of the two mechanisms, which

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the faculty member must inform and notify to the students, at the commencement of the semester:

1. Method A:

Major Exam (Marks)	Minor Exams (Marks)	Assignments / Presentations/ Quiz (Marks)	Total (Marks)
50	20 each	10	100

2. Method B:

Major Exam (Marks)	Minor Exams (Marks)	Assignments / Presentations (Marks)	Two Surprise Quiz (Two best of the minimum three quiz to be taken into account) (Marks)	One Announced Quiz (Marks)
40	20 each	10	05	0.5

- 4.3.9.2 Prof. Suneet Tuli suggested that different evaluation patterns should be worked out for evaluation for Masters & Ph.D. program with more focus on Self Study & Seminar based evaluation thus reducing the Minor examination to one instead of two per semester. for Masters / Ph.D. level students.
- 4.3.9.3 The Council resolved that the university will study the matter and submit a revised proposal, particularly for Master level programs in the next meeting of Academic Council.
- 4.4.9.4 Prof. Sunil Kale suggested that Laboratory evaluation should also be done at continuous basis through-out semester as done in theoretical papers. He further suggested that the faculty members should ensure completion of syllabus before the Last Week of the semester which should be declared as "Revision Week" wherein focus should be on revision and/or recapitulation.
- 4.4.9.5 The Council accepted the suggestion and proposed its inclusion in the Academic Calendar of the University.



Agenda Award of various Medals/Prizes to the students during the Item No. 5th Convocation of SMVD University 24.3.10

4.3.10.1 The Academic Council after deliberations on the matter authorized the Vice Chancellor to consider and recommend to Executive Council, on behalf of the Academic Council, the names of students found eligible for Award of various Medals/Prizes during the 5th Convocation of SMVD University for 2014-15 batch students as the process for finalizing the candidature of such students as per laid down parameters is already underway.

Agenda Proposal of Enhancement of Seats in M.Sc.(Physics) from 30 Item No. to 45 & M.Sc.(Mathematics) from 30 to 60 24.3.11

- 4.3.11.1 The proposal of BARC for increasing of seats in M.Sc.(Physics) program from 30 seats to 45 seats and M.Sc.(Mathematics) from 30 seats to 60 seats from Academic Session 2016-17/2017-18 onwards was discussed and considered by the Academic Council. The recommendations of the Academic Council to the effect are submitted to Executive Council for consideration and approval.
- 4.3.11.2 Prof. Sunil Kale suggested a comprehensive review of the two programs at the School level, taking into consideration factors such as Placement data, Benchmarking with other Institutions, Feedback from students etc. He also suggested that the possibility of starting the PG program in M.Sc. (Biology) be explored.

The Council endorsed the view regarding the Comprehensive Review of the two programs at School level.

Agenda Proposal for assigning "SE" as School Code for School of Item No. Economics & Change in code of courses for Five Years Integrated M.Sc. (Economics) program and Ph.D. program (BARC held on 14/09/2015)

4.3.12.1 The proposal for assigning "SE" as School Code for School of Economics & the resultant change in code of courses for Five Years Integrated M.Sc. (Economics) program and Ph.D. program was

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discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

4.3.12.2 It was also decided that the School Codes for the various schools will not be changed even if the new proposed nomenclature of Department is approved in place of School.

Agenda Introduction of New course title, "Advances in Economics" Item No. for Ph.D. students of Economics (BARC held on 14/09/2015) 24.3.13

4.3.13.1 The proposal for Introduction of new course entitled, "Advances in Economics" for Ph.D. students of Economics was approved by the Academic Council.

Agenda Change in eligibility criteria for Admission to Ph.D. Program Item No. w.r.t. inclusion of MCA as qualifying degree 24.3.14

- 4.3.14.1 The proposal of BARC for Change in eligibility criteria for Admission to Ph.D. Program in School of Computer Science & Engineering (for the component under Faculty of Science) by including the qualification of Master in Computer Applications (MCA) as the qualifying degree in addition to other laid down criteria for admission was considered and approved by the Academic Council.
- 4.3.14.2 The above recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to the Executive Council for consideration and approval. If approved the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University shall be modified accordingly.

Agenda Change of existing eligibility criteria for admission to MCA Item No. program from Academic Session 2016-17 onwards 24.3.15

4.3.15.1 The proposal of BARC for Change in existing eligibility criteria for admission to MCA program from Academic Session 2016-17 onwards was discussed and after deliberations it was decided that the revised criteria shall be:

""Candidates should have passed 10+2 examination from a recognized board. Candidates must have UG degree with Mathematics or statistics or Computer/IT as one of the subjects at graduation level with minimum 50% marks in the qualifying exam. Candidates appearing in the qualifying examination are also eligible to apply."

- 4.3.15.2 The above recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.
- 4.3.15.3 Prof. Suneet Tuli suggested that the University should not compromise with general eligibility standards and should refrain from frequent changing of the eligibility criteria.

Agenda Change of eligibility criteria for Ph.D. program w.r.t. giving Item No. provisional admission to the appearing candidates as is done in other programs

- 4.3.16.1 The proposal of BARC for changing of the eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D. program such that candidates who have appeared/appearing in their qualifying degree examination and the results are yet to be declared shall be eligible for provisional admission, subject to their meeting other eligibility criteria was considered and recommended by the Academic Council. Prof. Suneet Tuli suggested that rigid rules should be made for offering provisional admission to candidates.
- 4.3.16.2 In this context, it was further decided that in such cases, the candidates may be granted provisional admission up to the end of last teaching day of the FIRST Semester of University, by which date the proof of meeting the eligibility criteria should be submitted by the candidate, failing which the provisional admission granted should be deemed to be cancelled. Further, in such case(s), the candidate(s) will have no claim for the refund of the fee paid by the candidate except the Mess fee and Hostel fee which would be deducted on prorate basis. It was decided that the same methodology may be adopted for other programs offered by the University.
- 4.3.16.3 The above recommendations of the Academic Council shall be submitted to the Executive Council for consideration and approval. If

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approved the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University shall be modified accordingly along with other relevant documents.

Agenda Change in existing Ph.D. Ordinances w.r.t. Admission Item No. Eligibility: "Having Master's Degree in inter-disciplinary/trans-disciplinary discipline instead of respective discipline."

4.3.17.1 The proposal of BARC for modifying the existing Ph.D. Ordinance (R.1) concerning **Admission Eligibility** was considered by the Academic Council and the Academic Council recommended the following modification in this respect

Admission Eligibility for Ph.D. program

Existing	Proposed
"A candidate for admission to Full-	"A candidate for admission to Full-Time
Time Ph.D. program must have	Ph.D. program must have obtained
obtained Master's Degree in	Master's Degree in Engineering/
Engineering/ Technology/	Technology/ Sciences/ Management/
Sciences/Management/Humanities &	Humanities & Social Sciences or in inter-
Social Sciences in respective	disciplinary/trans-disciplinary disciplines
discipline or equivalent with	with minimum CGPA of 6.75 on a ten
minimum CGPA of 6.75 on a ten	point scale in relative grading system or
point scale or 60% marks in	minimum CGPA of 6.00 in absolute
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4.3.17.2 The recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to the Executive Council for consideration and approval. If approved the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University shall be modified accordingly.

Agenda Revision in the SMVDU Ph.D. Assistantship Amount Item No.

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4.3.18.1

The recommendations of BARC with respect to revision of Ph.D.

Assistantship amount provided by the University out of its own resources was deliberated by the Academic Council and it was decided that the present norms of providing Ph.D. Assistantship to the eligible Ph.D. scholars (Sciences, Engineering, Humanities, Social Sciences) be continued without change.

4.3.18.2 Prof. Suneet Tuli informed the house about the Circular of MHRD w.r.t. revision of time period for which the Assistantship shall be provided to students enrolled in Ph.D. program as the same has been extended up to 5 years. The information was noted.

Agenda Item No. 24.3.19 Introduction of M.Arch. and Ph.D. programs in School of Architecture & Landscape Design

- 4.3.19.1 The proposal of BARC for Starting of M.Arch. and Ph.D. program(s) in School of Architecture & Landscape Design was deliberated upon and it was decided to start M.Arch. & Ph.D. program in School of Architecture & Landscape Design within next 2-3 years.
- 4.3.19.2 It was also decided that the Ph.D. program should be introduced only for Internal Faculty Members initially i.e. upto 4-5 years with the sole purpose of providing them with an opportunity to improve upon their research qualifications which would significantly improve the knowledge dissemination in the B.Arch. & M.Arch. programs and also project SMVDU as the most premier School of Architecture in India. The recommendations are submitted to Executive Council for consideration and for approval.

Agenda Proposal for establishment of HRD Centre on Self-funding Item No. Basis at SMVDU

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4.3.20.1 The proposal of BARC for establishment of HRD Centre on self-funding basis at SMVD University was considered by the Academic Council and recommended to the Executive Council for consideration and for approval.



Agenda Continuation of Admission of Ms. Apoorva Jamwal, Item No. provisionally admitted to Five-Years Integrated M.Sc. 24.3.21 (Economics) program & Framing of policy for such cases for future (BARC held on 14/09/2015)

- 4.3.21.1 The matter regarding the continuation of Admission of Ms. Apoorva Jamwal, provisionally admitted to Five-Years Integrated M.Sc. (Economics) program was deliberated upon in the light of the decision of the BARC conveying cancellation of her admission and the fresh representation received from the mother of the student. Based on the deliberations the following was decided:
 - 4.3.21.1.1 The admission of the candidate namely Ms. Apoorva Jamwal be continued on provisional basis till the time of the declaration of result of her Bi-annual 2015 Examination by JKBOSE, expected in Jan 2016, in the relevant subject.
 - 4.3.21.1.2 She shall be allowed to appear for Minor & Major Examination in the current First semester (Aug-Dec., 2015).
 - 4.3.21.1.3 The Answer sheets of Ms. Apoorva Jamwal shall however not be evaluated till the declaration of her result by JKBOSE and submission of the same to the University Authorities. Also separate provision shall be made by the Director concerned for taking attendance of the candidate during the examinations.
 - 4.3.21.1.4 Her result for First Semester (Aug-Dec 2015) shall not be prepared and declared till declaration of result of Biannual 2015 Examination by JKBOSE.
 - 4.3.21.1.5 In-case of her inability to provide her result at the time of scheduled registration for the Second Semester she will be allowed provisional registration in Jan-May 2016 semester.
 - 4.3.21.1.6 In case, the candidate fails to meet the eligibility criteria for admission to 5 Years Integrated M.Sc.(Economics) program, even after declaration of result of Bi-annual 2015 Examination by JKBOSE, then her provisional admission



will be terminated and she will have no further claim on the admission as well as refund of the fee.

- 4.3.21.1.7 She shall be required to submit an Affidavit in this respect agreeing to the above mentioned conditions.
- 4.3.21.1.8 The above relaxation shall not be quoted as a precedence in future in any other case.
- 4.3.21.2 In this context, it was further decided that in cases where provisional admission is granted to a candidate due to non-declaration of result in the qualifying examination, the candidate must submit the result of qualifying examination to the University up to the last teaching day of the FIRST Semester as the proof of meeting the eligibility criteria, failing which the provisional admission granted will be deemed to be cancelled and there will be no claim on the part of the candidate for the refund of the fee deposited to the University for grant of provisional admission.
 - 4.3.21.3 The above recommendations of the Academic Council be submitted to Executive Council for consideration and for approval.
- 4.3.21.4 Further, it was advised by the Vice Chancellor that Academics Section of the University should verify/check all the credentials/eligibility criteria of the prospective candidate(s) to whom provisional admission is being proposed to be offered in any academic programs of the University. Only after due verification, the School would issue Admission Letters to the selected candidates as also release the list on the University website.

Agenda Consideration of approval for adoption of <u>Lateral Entry</u> in Item No. the B.Tech. Programs (all disciplines) at 2nd year (3rd 24.3.22 Semester) at SMVDU

4.3.22.1 The Academic Council considered and approved the following recommendations of the Committee constituted for the purpose for adoption of Lateral Entry in the B.Tech. Programs (all disciplines) at 2nd year (3rd semester) at SMVDU.

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1) Lateral Entry in B.Tech. programs at SMVDU based on Migration

In case, a candidate who is already pursuing B.Tech./B.E. program in an institution where he was admitted based on his/her 'JEE Mains' rank of the previous year(s), wishes to seek admission in the same program at SMVDU then, subject to availability of vacancies, he/she could be considered for admission, as case of 'Migration from Another University/Institute to SMVDU', provided he/she is able to get 'No Objection Certificate' and 'Migration Certificate' from his/her last attended University/Institute and should have cleared the 1st year exam without any backlog and with a minimum or 60% of marks or CGPA of 6.75 (on relative grading system) or CGPA of 6.00 (in case of absolute grading system).

The admission shall be given, as per availability of seats in a particular program and subject to the admission mechanism & approval of the University Authorities. Such student may have to clear additional courses, if so prescribed by the School in which admission is being granted. The courses that would need to be taken for Credit/Audit (including NSS etc.) by each such student shall be determined by the concerned School's Academic Affairs Committee, keeping in view the courses not credited/audited by the student admitted under the Lateral Entry Scheme. The student seeking admission on Lateral Entry basis will normally be considered for admission to the same program in which he/she has completed 1st Year of Study.

Such admissions shall be permitted for B.Arch. and B.Tech. programs in all disciplines.

2) Lateral Entry to B.Tech. programs for Diploma / B.Sc. Candidates

Lateral Entry is proposed to be introduced for B.Tech. Programs (in all disciplines) in 2nd year i.e. 3rd semester, as per the guidelines and eligibility criteria of AICTE, provided as under:

a) For being eligible to seek lateral entry at the 2nd year i.e. 3rd semester level, a candidate must have passed the Diploma in Engineering from an AICTE approved Institution in the relevant branch with a minimum of 60% in aggregate. Only candidates fulfilling these conditions would be eligible for



appearing in the Entrance Test conducted by University for selection of Diploma Holders for Lateral Entry to B.Tech. degree program in the relevant discipline.

- b) Provided further that students, who have passed Diploma in Engineering & Technology from an AICTE approved Institution or B.Sc. Degree from a recognized University as defined by UGC, shall also be eligible for admission to the first year Engineering Degree courses subject to vacancies in the first year class in case the vacancies at lateral entry are exhausted. However, the admissions shall be based strictly on the eligibility criteria as mentioned above.
- c) Extent of Lateral Entry: Diploma holders shall be eligible for admission to the B.Tech. Program (in all disciplines) at SMVDU in 2nd year i.e 3rd semester upto 10% of sanctioned intake, which will be over and above the approved intake (supernumerary). In addition, these candidates shall be eligible for admission in the second year against the vacant seats at first year level.
- d) For the above purpose, Supernumerary quota is proposed to be created in each of the B.Tech. Programs, as per AICTE guidelines and if required, approval of AICTE may also be taken.
- e) For Lateral entry to 2nd year of B.Tech at SMVDU, needed advertisement(s) in the public media shall be given and Lateral entry admission shall be conducted before the start of 2nd year of B.Tech Programs.

4.3.22.2 The recommendations of the Academic Council are submitted to the Executive Council for approval.

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Agenda 24.3.23

To consider the recommendations regarding Guidance / Item No. Assistance through structured intervention to students of SMVDU for GATE and other competitive examinations regarding Guidance / Assistance through structured intervention to students of SMVDU for GATE and other competitive examinations (BARC held on 14/09/2015)

4.3.23.1

The following proposal regarding providing of Guidance / Assistance through structured intervention to students of SMVDU for GATE and other competitive examinations was deliberated and recommended by the Academic Council for onward submission to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Fee Payable by the Students and Faculty Remuneration

S. No.	Fee per Course Module	Hrs. per Module	Minimum Strength of Students	Faculty Remuneration
1	Rs. 3000	State Selection Street	06-10	@Rs.1000/- per hour
2	Rs.2000	20 Hrs.	11-20	@Rs.1000/- per hour
3	Rs.1000	benoper to but	>20	@Rs.1000/- per hour

Agenda Item No.24.4 Consideration of approval for Award of Ph.D. Degree to 12 Research Scholars and to the students of B.Tech. (Electronics & Communication Engineering), B.Tech. (Mechanical Engineering), B.Tech. (Computer Science & Engineering), B.Tech. (Industrial Biotechnology), B.Arch., MBA, M.Tech. (CSE), M.Tech. (ECE), M.Sc. (Mathematics), M.Sc. (Physics), M.Sc. (Biotechnology) and M.A. (English) who have qualified for the award of respective degrees, during the Academic Session 2014-15.

4.4.1 The Academic Council approved the award of degrees in respective programs to the qualified students of the batches of the following UG/PG programs including 12 nos. of research scholars namely Ms. Rashi Taggar, SoB, Mr. Dinesh Jamwal, SOPC, Ms. Neetu Kumari Bhat, SoM, Mr. Kalaiarasan P, SBT, Ms. Smarti Gosani, SoM, Mr. Sumeet Kumar Sharma, SoM, Mr. Siddharth Manvati, SBT, Ms. Vishali Sharma, SOL&L, Mr. Sumeet Gupta, SECE, Mr. Amrinder Singh, SoB, Ms. Irbha Magotra, SoB & Mr. Sheikh Rayees Rafiq, SBT for award of Ph.D. Degree.

S.NO.	NAME OF THE PROGRAM	ВАТСН	NO. OF STUDENTS
1	B.ARCH.	2008	2
1	B.ARCH.	2009	3
- 2	B.ARCH.	2010	33
4	B.TECH.(CSE)	2010	. 3
5	B.TECH.(CSE)	2011	51
7	B.TECH.(CSE)	2009	1
8	B.TECH.(ECE)	2010	5
9	B.TECH.(ECE)	2011	81
10	B.TECH.(IBT)	2011	16
11	B.TECH.(ME)	2010	5
12	B.TECH.(ME)	2011	57
13	M.TECH.(CSE)	2013	5
14	M.TECH.(ECE)	2013	14
15	M.SC.(PHYSICS)	2013	20
16	MBA	2012	2
19	MBA	2013	42
20	M.SC.(BIO)	2012	1
22	M.SC.(BIO)	2013	18
22	M.SC.(MATH)	2013	18
23	M.A.(ENG)	2013	18
24	PH.D.		12
	TOTAL		407

Agenda Proposal for modification in the Mission Statement of the University No.24.5

4.5.1 The proposal for modification of the Mission Statement of the University was deliberated upon by the Academic Council and the following modification was recommended to be made.

Mission Statement (Present)	Mission Statement (Proposed)
"The Mission of the University is the pursuit of Education, Scholarship and Research at the highest International levels of excellence."	"The Mission of the University is the pursuit of Education, Scholarship and

4.5.1 The recommendations of the Academic Council shall be submitted to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

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Agenda Proposal for creation of a position of Dean of Faculty Affairs Item No.24.6

- 4.6.1 The proposal for creation of a position of 'Dean of Faculty Affairs' without any financial remuneration, from amongst the senior faculty members of the University (at the level of Professor) was deliberated upon and the Academic Council recommended for creation of a position of 'Dean of Faculty Affairs' which shall be held by a Professor of the University and within the administrative setup of the University for monitoring the following types of tasks. It was decided that recommendations of the Academic Council shall be put up to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.
 - i. To oversee and ensure qualitative improvement in teaching practices;
 - ii. To oversee and ensure equitable and just distribution of teaching load among faculty members;
 - iii. To oversee and ensure regularity of classes;
 - To oversee and ensure completion of the course syllabi by the concerned course coordinators, i.e. all faculty members;
 - To oversee and collect and analyze faculty/course feedback and share the same with the concerned faculty for self appraisal and improvement, if required;
 - vi. To deal with all requests for permissions for attending Orientation/Refresher courses, short term courses, MDPs, FDPs, QIPs etc.
 - vii. To scrutinize the validity of all requests concerning grant of Professional Development Assistance;
 - viii. To scrutinize and/or recommend and/or approve the requests for Duty Leave, Special Casual Leave or other types of Leave as per the delegation by the Vice Chancellor;
 - ix. To scrutinize the requirement of resources as proposed by different Schools and make balanced and specific recommendations;
 - x. To be actively involved in faculty appraisals in an objective and fair manner.
 - xi. Any other related tasks such as assessment of additional faculty requirement, faculty recruitment, facilitation etc.



Agenda Item Modification in Nomenclature of Academic Units (Schools) of the University

No.24.7

- 4.7.1 The proposal for possible modification in the Nomenclature of Academic Units (Schools) of the University was deliberated by the Academic Council. All external members of the Academic Council suggested that the "School of Study" be called as "Department" and the "Director of the School" be known as "Head of Department" as is the nomenclature in most of the Universities in India and aboard.
- 4.7.2. After detailed discussion, it was decided that other than School of Business all other Schools be known as "Departments" and the "Directors" of the Schools be termed as "Head" of the Department". The Academic Council also authorized the Vice Chancellor for incorporating feedback while putting up the recommendations to the Executive Council.

Agenda Item Change in Nomenclature from "Ph.D. Scholars " to "Ph.D. Students"

No.24.8

4.8.1 The proposal for change in Nomenclature from "Ph.D. Scholar" to "Ph.D. Student" was considered by the Academic Council and recommended for approval of the Executive Council. Further, it was also decided that the Ph.D. Supervisor/Guide shall now be known as "Ph.D. Supervisor".

Agenda Item No.24.9 Proposal for Creation of Position of Research Associate

4.9.1 The proposal for creation of Position of Research Associate was considered by the Academic Council for attracting young, bright and qualified faculty members on a consolidated salary, with the designation as "Research Associate", as tabulated below. They will be primarily involved in teaching.

S.No.	Qualification	Monthly Emoluments	
		1 st Year	2 nd Year
1.bn	M.Tech. (with valid GATE score) for Engineering Schools	Rs.30,000/-	Rs.40,000/-
2.	Ph.D. (thesis submitted/awarded)	Rs.35,000/-	Rs45,000/-

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Eligibility: As per the eligibility conditions for a faculty position in SMVDU, i.e. M.Tech. (with valid GATE score) for Engineering Schools and Ph.D. (thesis submitted) in other (Non-Engg.) disciplines.

Period of Engagement: Initial appointment shall be 01 year duration extendable by another 12 months, in two separate spells of 06 months each. The extension shall be based on a comprehensive performance review of the Research Associate, w.r.t his/her contribution to teaching & research in the School.

Number of Positions: To start with, a total of 10 (ten) positions of Research Associates, will be created in the University and these can be distributed among different Schools as considered appropriate.

Process of Engagement: The appointment of Research Associate will be done through the applications received by the University involving rolling advertisement on University's website, at par with the faculty selection process.

4.9.2 The recommendations of the Academic Council be submitted to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Ratification of the decision taken for adopting methodology for Item Confirmation of Admission by the candidate(s) in all PG Programs No. 24.10 & B.Tech. (BT) (admitted on the basis of 12th percentage) for the session 2015-16

4.10.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for adopting methodology for confirmation of Admission by the candidate(s) in all PG Programs & B.Tech. (BT) for the session 2015-16.

Agenda Ratification of the decision taken for the conduct of SPOT round of Admissions for the session 2015-16

No. 24.11

4.11.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for the conduct of SPOT round of Admissions for the session 2015-16 for various programs during the SPOT round made based on merit in qualifying examination and / or written test.



Agenda Item Ratification of the decision taken for adopting AICTE Fee Refund Rules for B.Tech., B.Arch., M.Tech., M.B.A. & M.C.A.

No. 24.12

4.12.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for adopting AICTE Fee Refund Rules (as annexed) for B.Tech., B.Arch., M.Tech., M.B.A. & M.C.A. and recommended the same to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Item No. 24.13 Relaxation in rule regarding mandatory stay of Ph.D. Full-time (female) Research Scholars in Hostels at Campus due to shortage of Hostel accommodation at the Campus (BARC held on 13/05/2015)

4.13.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for relaxing the rule regarding mandatory stay of Ph.D. Full-time (female) Research Scholars in Hostels at Campus due to shortage of Hostel accommodation at the Campus However, this relaxation is optional for the time being and shall be considered based on the recommendations of the Supervisor and the concerned Director of the School.

Agenda Item No. 24.14 Ratification of the decision taken for enhancement of intake capacity in M.A. (English) Program from 30 to 40 from 2015-16

4.14.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for enhancement of intake capacity in M.A. (English) Program from 30 to 40 from 2015-16 onwards and recommended the same to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Ratification of decision of enhancement of seats in Item No. M.Sc.(Economics) from 50 to 60 in 2015-16
24.15

4.15.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for enhancing the intake to 60 from 50, for the Academic Session 2015-16 for admission to M.Sc.(Economics) 5 Years Integrated program and onwards and recommended the same to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

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Agenda Ratification of the decision for availing of service of online software Item No. "Survey Monkey" for collection and analysis of Student Feedback 24.16

4.16.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision for availing of service of online software "Survey Monkey" for collection and analysis of Student Feedback for a period of one academic Session on trial basis.

Agenda Ratification of the decision taken for change of eligibility criteria for Item No. Admission to MCA by reducing of % for admitting candidates to MCA program for academic Session 2015-16

4.17.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken w.r.t. changing the admission criteria for Admission to MCA program by reducing percentage from 60% to 50% in the qualifying exam for the session 2015-16 and onwards and recommended the same to Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Agenda Ratification of the decision taken for restoration of admission of Mr.

Item Shyam Ruhela (2011EEC58) to the B.Tech. (E&CE) program at SECE,

No.24.18 on Medical Grounds.

4.18.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for restoration of admission of Mr. Shyam Ruhela (2011EEC58) to the B.Tech. (E&CE) program at SECE, on Medical Grounds as a onetime exception.

Agenda Ratification of decision for the Grant of extension of time in favour of 03 research scholars of SMVDU for completion of their Ph.D.

No.24.19

4.19.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for the Grant of extension of time in favour of following 03 research scholars of SMVDU for completion of their Ph.D. for of extension of time (over and above the permissible period of 05 years).

S.No.	Name of the Research Scholar	School of Registration	Completion of 05 years	Period upto which extension has been granted
1	Mr. Dalip Raina (09PHDMBE01)	Business	11-10-2014	11-10-2015

2	Mr. Vishnu Kumar Gupta (09PHDSBT11)	Biotechnology	26-08-2014	31-12-2015
3	Punit Kumar Khanna (09PHDSBT10)	Biotechnology	26-08-2014	26-05-2015

4.19.2 Prof. Suneet Tuli suggested that such matters should not be brought to the Academic Council as these are internal matters as the provision for the same is there in the Ph.D. Ordinances.

Agenda Review of Admissions made during Pre-Spot Round & Spot Round Item No. to various academic programs for Session 2015-16 & Admission Process followed thereof

4.20.1 The Academic Council noted the reported position w.r.t. Admission for the session 2015-16 and process followed thereof.

Agenda Details of Sponsored Projects sanctioned in favour of Faculty Item No. members of SMVDU 24.21

4.21.1 The Academic Council noted the reported position w.r.t. projects sanctioned in favour of Faculty Members of SMVDU by various funding agencies.

Agenda Conducting online examination descriptive or multiple choice Item No. for quiz for at least one of the minor during the semester 24.22

4.22.1 The Academic Council noted the reported position regarding conduct of online examination descriptive or multiple choice for quiz for at least one of the minor by the concerned course coordinator if desired.

Agenda Any other Item with the permission of the Chair Item
No.24.23

4.23.1.1

Agenda Proposal for closure of "School of Innovation & Community

Development"

No.24.23.1

The Academic Council considered and approved the closure of 'School of Innovation and Community Development', as neither there is any

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Academic Degree/Other Program being offered by this School for academic study nor there is any proposal of this type pending.

4.23.1.2 It was further decided that a fresh proposal for starting a Cell for such useful activities may be considered by the Academic Council, whenever such proposal is submitted for its consideration.

Agenda Item No.24.23.2

4.23.2.1

Including Courses on Value Education as Mandatory Audit courses in all UG & PG Programs

The Academic Council considered approved the proposal of introducing at-least one course on value education as an audit course to all UG & PG students of the University for inculcating basic value system in them w.e.f. the next Academic Session.

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

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