



श्री माता वैष्णो देवी विश्वविद्यालय  
Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University  
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Minutes Of The 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting Of The Academic Council Held On 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 In The  
Executive Council Room, Matrika Auditorium, SMVDU Campus

1. The 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) was held on 08/08/2016 at 10:00 A.M. in the Executive Council Room, Matrika Auditorium, SMVDU Campus.

2. The following attended the meeting:

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| i.    | Dr. Sanjeev Jain<br>Vice Chancellor   | In-Chair          |
| ii.   | Prof. S. Dharmaraja<br>Professor & Head<br>Department of Mathematics, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi        | Member (External) |
| iii.  | Prof. Sunil Pandey,<br>Professor<br>Department of Mechanical Engineering,<br>Indian Institute of Technology Delhi | Member (External) |
| iv.   | Prof. Rajesh Srivastava,<br>Head, Department of Physics,<br>Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee               | Member (External) |
| v.    | Shri Lokesh Saxena<br>Vice President<br>Industrial Business & Services<br>SKF India Ltd, Pune (MS)                | Member (External) |
| vi.   | Prof. (Dr.) V. Verma<br>Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Dept. of Biotechnology                                     | Ex-Officio Member |
| vii.  | Prof. V. K. Bhat<br>Dean, Faculty of Sciences & Dean, Faculty of Management                                       | Ex-Officio Member |
| viii. | Dr. Yugal Khajuria<br>I/c Dean of Students & I/c Head, Department of Physics                                      | Ex-Officio Member |
| ix.   | Mr. Subrata Deb<br>Librarian  | Ex-Officio Member |
| x.    | Ar. Aditya K Singh<br>Head, Department of Architecture & Landscape Design   | Ex-Officio Member |
| xi.   | Dr. V. K. Tripathi<br>Head, Department of Philosophy & Culture  | Ex-Officio Member |

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✓ xii.	Dr. Jyoti Sharma Head, School of Business	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xiii.	Dr. Amit Kant Pandit Head, Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xiv.	Dr. Ajay Koul I/c Head, Department of Computer Science & Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xv.	Dr. Ankush Anand I/c Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xvi.	Dr. A. K. Das I/c Head, Department of Mathematics	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xvii.	Dr. Kakali Majumdar I/c Head, Department of Economics	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xviii.	Dr. Sanjeev Anand I/c Head, Department of Energy Management	Ex-Officio Member
✓ xix.	Dr. Sumeet Gupta I/c Associate Dean (Academic Affairs)	Invitee
✓ xx.	Mr. Ajay Khajuria Registrar, SMVDU	Secretary

3. ✓ Prof. K. K. Biswas, Emeritus Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi; Prof. P.K.Jain, Professor, Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi & Prof. V. K. Jain, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments. Dr. Vandhana Sharma, I/c Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences & Head, Department of Languages & Literature could not attend due to bad weather conditions.

4. The following Items were discussed and decisions taken.

**Item No.26.1 Welcoming New External Expert Members to the Academic Council of SMVD University**

4.1.1 Hon'ble Vice Chancellor introduced and accorded a warm welcome to Prof. Rajesh Srivastava, Head, Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee; Prof. S. Dharmaraja, Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi; Prof. Sunil Pandey, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi; Shri Lokesh Saxena, Vice President, Industrial Business & Services, SKF India Ltd., on behalf of the Academic Council of SMVDU. The other members of the Academic Council also introduced themselves to the New members.





**Item No.26.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 & 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.**

- 4.2.1 The Council confirmed the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> meetings of the Academic Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2015 & 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 respectively.

**Item No. 26.3 Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of Academic Council held on 18/09/2015 & 29/03/2016 at SMVDU Campus**

- 4.3.1 While noting the reported position, the following observations were made in regard to certain issues listed in the Action Taken Report.

i. **Constitution of 'School Research Committee' in all Academic Schools for conduct of all matters pertaining to research including Ph.D. program (Item No. 24.3.5 sub para 4.3.5.9)**

It was decided that increasing the limit of credits for Pre-Ph.D. Course Work to 16 credits would not be reasonable as the existing provision of acquiring 12 credits along with one seminar by the Ph.D. student would suffice to clear his Course Work.

ii. **Adoption of New & Modified formats pertaining to Ph.D. (Item No. 24.3.7 sub para 4.3.7.2)**

After discussions it was decided that the Thesis report need not include the name(s) of the External Examiner(s)/Evaluation Committee to maintain the confidentiality w.r.t. External Examiner(s) who have evaluated the thesis report of the student and the Committee constituted to examine the matter be dissolved accordingly.

iii. **Modification in Evaluation pattern in terms of Minor & Major Exams And Assignments & Quiz (Item No. 24.3.9 sub para 4.3.9.1)**

The matter was discussed and it was decided that the faculty members should be given the flexibility to choose the method of evaluating the students either through giving of assignments or through surprise quiz or any other mode of evaluation which the faculty member may consider appropriate in the larger interest of the students in particular. However, the evaluation through Minor & Major exams will continue as it is.

iv. **Modification in Evaluation pattern in terms of Minor & Major Exams And Assignments & Quiz (Item No. 24.3.9 sub para 4.3.9.2)**

The matter was discussed and it was decided that no separate method of evaluation be adopted for Ph.D. / Masters Program and the practice of continuous evaluation through Minor & Major exams may be continued.

Further, it was also decided that no special courses be offered for pre-Ph.D. course-work. The courses offered for pre-Ph.D. coursework may be chosen out of the courses being currently offered to M.Sc. / M.Tech. / MBA/ B.Tech. / M.A. students in the given semester. Accordingly the Committee constituted to examine the matter be dissolved accordingly.



It was further decided to include a Seminar as a part of pre-Ph.D. course-work with weightage of 3-4 Credits.

- v. **Proposal of Enhancement of Seats in M.Sc.(Physics) from 30 to 45 & M.Sc.(Mathematics) from 30 to 60 (Item No. 24.3.11 sub para 4.3.11.1)**  
In this context, with the objective of attracting quality students to the M.Sc. programs, it was recommended that the rank obtained by potential candidates in the JAM (Joint Admission Test for M.Sc.) conducted by IITs/IISc. may be recognized as a mode of admission to the various M.Sc. programs and such students may be given preference for admission to the M.Sc. Programs from the Academic Session 2017-18.

However, the existing procedure of offering admission based on the Written Test + interview, conducted by DoBT will continue.

**Action: Dean(FoS), in consultation with Head of Departments of DoBT, DoP & DoM shall submit the details of the admission process to be followed for the Academic Session 2017-18.**

- vi. **Amendment in Ph.D. Ordinances concerning eligibility criteria for Admission to Ph.D. Program (Item No. 25.4.3)**

It was decided not to consider M.B.B.S. as qualifying degree for admission to Ph.D. program at SMVDU since as per UGC norms, a Master's degree is the minimum eligibility criteria for admission to the Ph.D. program. Accordingly, the Committee constituted to examine that matter be dissolved.

- vii. **Introduction of Value added Course for all UG & PG students (Item No. 25.4.4) –** It was decided that the Course, "Discourses on Human Virtues" be floated as credit course for the UG students and as audit course for the PG students.

**Action: All Head of Departments to ensure that the course is a part of the program structure of all UG/PG & Integrated programs being offered by the respective Departments**

- viii. **Adoption of Fee Refund Policy for candidates who have cancelled their admission from one program and admitted to other program at SMVDU (Item No. 25.4.5)**

It was decided that the students who have been admitted to one program at SMVDU and are offered admission to another program at SMVDU during the admission process of the same Academic Session and are interested in transferring to the new program, need not submit the fee twice. The fee paid for the first program may be transferred to the second program, on written request of the student and the student will be required to pay the balance fee, if any or will be refunded the excess fee, if any as the case may be.

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ix. **Admitting of Ph.D. students after their having undertaken Course Work at other institution (Item No. 25.4.7)**

It was decided that the course work done at any other institution by any Ph.D. student of SMVDU, prior to joining the Ph.D. program at the University, may not be considered towards the requisite pre-Ph.D. course work to be done by the Ph.D. student. Accordingly, the Committee constituted to examine this matter may be dissolved.

x. **Admission against NRI/Foreign Sponsored Seats (Item No. 25.9.1) –**

The Academic Council directed that the Committee should submit its report immediately for consideration of the Academic Council.

### AGENDA ITEMS

**Item No.26.4** Consideration of approval for Award of Degree 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.Tech.(M&A), M.Tech.(EM), M.Sc. (Mathematics), M.Sc. (Physics), M.Sc. (Biotechnology) and M.A. (English) during the Academic Session 2015-16.

4.4.1 The Academic Council approved the award of Degree to the following no.'s of students of UG/PG programs have successfully completed all their Degree requirements (including students having backlog(s)), during the next Convocation of the University.

Name of the Program	Batch	No. of Students appeared	No. of Students passed
B.Tech (ECE)	2012	80	71
B.Tech. (CSE)	2012	53	41
B.Tech (Bio)	2012	05	04
B.Tech. (ME)	2012	58	58
B.Arch.	2011	38	24
M.Tech.(CSE)	2014	18	18
M.Tech.(ECE)	2014	27	27
M.Tech.(M&A)	2014	10	10
M.Tech.(EM)	2014	09	09
M.Sc.(Biotechnology)	2014	21	21
M.Sc.(Physics)	2014	30	30
M.A.(English)	2014	17	17
M.Sc.(Math)	2014	30	29
MBA	2014	35	35
B.Tech. (CSE)	2011	03	01
B.Tech (Bio)	2010	01	01
B.Tech (Bio)	2011	01	01



B.Tech. (ME)	2011	01	01
B.Arch.	2010	04	03
MBA	2013	01	01
	<b>Total</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>402</b>

4.4.2 Further, the Academic Council also approved the award of Degree to those students whose result was pending due to re-conduct of Major Exam or re-conduct due to award of 'X' grade in Jan-May 2016 semester and for those students who had registered in the Summer Semester 2016, subject to their completing all requirements for award of Degree. The matter may be placed before the Executive Council for ratification of the decision taken.

**Item No.26.5 Consideration of the recommendations made by the Board of Academics, Research & Consultancy (BARC) in the meeting held on 05/07/2016.**

**Item No.26.5.1 Approval for confirmation of Admission of Mr. Rakesh Sharma, AEE(Electrical) to the Ph.D. program at DoECE being presently on deputation to SMVD University**

4.5.1.1 The matter regarding the confirmation of Admission of Mr. Rakesh Sharma, AEE(Electrical) to the Ph.D. program at DoECE was deliberated by the Academic Council and after detailed discussions on the matter, the Academic Council approved the following recommendations of the BARC.

- a. Granting of provisional admission to Mr. Rakesh Sharma to Ph.D. part-time program at DoECE for and up to the period 05/04/2016.
- b. Post-facto approval for confirmation of Admission of Mr. Rakesh Sharma in Ph.D. program at DoECE for the Session 2015-16 (First Semester) w.e.f. 10/08/2015 in relaxation to the related Ph.D. ordinances concerning provisional admission.

4.5.1.2 Further, it was also decided that henceforth the candidates seeking admission to part-time Ph.D. Program shall be required to submit their NOC from their employer at the time of submitting the application for admission to the Ph.D. program. In case of non-submission of the NOC by the candidate along with the Application Form, the Application Form shall stand rejected.

The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Item No. 26.5.2 Introduction of course "Entrepreneurship Management" as Open Elective Course for the students of B.Tech. & B.Arch.**

4.5.2.1 The Academic Council approved the recommendations of BARC for Introduction of course entitled "Entrepreneurship Management" as Open Elective Course for the students of B.Tech. & B.Arch. having 2 credits with L-T-P (2-0-0) to be taught during 3<sup>rd</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> semester of the program. It will be mandatory for each student of B.Tech. & B.Arch. program to pass this course to be eligible for award of the degree.



**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of School of Business.**  
**26.5.3**

4.5.3.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. increase in the credits requirements for award of MBA Degree from 80 to 90 credits from the Academic Session 2016-17 & Course Structure for MBA program.

4.5.3.2 It was decided to continue with the "Supply Chain Management" specialization in MBA in view of the impending introduction of the GST mechanism which is likely to have a major impact on the supply chain methodology. It was also suggested to introduce a course on GST, this being the latest development in the field of Finance & Management. Accordingly, it was decided that "Supply Chain Management" Specialization should be added to the MBA Program Structure accordingly.

The recommendations of the Academic Council shall be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Mathematics.**  
**26.5.4**

4.5.4.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. Course structure and curriculum of the M.Sc. (Mathematics) program and others courses offered to B.Tech. and Ph.D. programme from the Academic Session 2017-18.

The recommendations of the Academic Council shall be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Biotechnology.**  
**26.5.5**

4.5.5.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. Course Content of the course entitled, "Bioprocess Technology", "Bioprocess Engineering Lab" & "Introduction to Bioinformatics Lab" offered in B.Tech. (BT) program; modification in the Course Content of the course entitled, "Immunology Lab" offered in B.Tech. (BT) program; Title & Course Contents of the Elective Course entitled, "Introduction to Synthetic Biology" offered in B.Tech. (BT) program; Title & Course Contents of the Elective Course entitled, "Metabolic Engineering and Synthetic Biology Application", "Introduction to Medical Genetics", "Cellular and Molecular Biology of Cancer" & "Clinical Cytogenetics" offered in M.Sc. (BT) program.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Mechanical Engineering.**  
**26.5.6**

4.5.6.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. reordering of courses offered in B.Tech. (Mechanical Engineering) Program to ensure continuity of courses; renaming of 07 Courses & one Lab; change



proposed in the syllabus of various courses to ensure complete coverage of relevant topics; introduction of 02 new labs in B.Tech. (ME); Removal of course on Industrial Psychology from B.Tech.(ME), VI Sem (as it can be taken under Open Elective-II); inclusion of Mini Project in VI Sem for 01 credit; removal of Contemporary lectures from M.Tech. (M&A) 3rd Sem and addition of Minor project worth 3 credit; removal of Elective III from M.Tech. (M&A) 3rd Sem and the Subject of Elective III are appended in Elective I & II; shifting of Simulation and Modeling (MEL 6112) from III semester to II Semester in M.Tech. (M&A); Increase in credits of Minor & Major Project in M.Tech. (M&A) 3rd & 4th Sem is increased 10 to 20 respectively & the Program Structure of B.Tech. (ME) & M.Tech. (M&A) programs with above changes.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Economics.**

4.5.7.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. review/revision of the Curriculum and the revised Course Structure shall be implemented for existing and new batches.

Approval was also granted to the proposal for grant of one time exception to the affected students for registration in Summer semester 2017, on self-study basis (in case student strength is less than 6) for those courses which are excluded in the revised course structure.

4.5.7.2 Further, Academic Council directed I/c Head, DoE to explore the possibility for offering Dual Degree program in light of UGC guidelines and the matter be placed before the Academic Council (through BARC) in its next meeting.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Computer Science & Engineering.**

4.5.8.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. revision and review of the academic course structure of various programs (B.Tech./M.Tech./MCA) offered by the Department after including new subjects in the list of electives; inclusion of Colloquium in MCA program; introduction of Lab course for the Image processing course offered in B.Tech and M.Tech. Program; Mission and Vision for the Department as follows:

**Vision:** To achieve Excellence in offering high quality education with emphasis on ethical values to the students in the area of Computer Science and Engineering to meet the challenges of industry and diverse needs of the society.

**Mission:** To impart education in the emerging fields of computer Science & Engineering to meet the competitive global industrial needs by producing high quality workforce.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Philosophy & Culture.**

4.5.9.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t.



review of courses offered in M.A. (Philosophy); review of courses offered for the other Departments/School; introduction of new elective course title, "Philosophy of Art" (particularly for Architecture branch) & introduction of Non-credit Audit Course for all regular students except Ph.D.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of  
26.5.10 Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering.**

4.5.10.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. offering of Core and Elective Courses of M.Tech. (ECE) to the Ph.D. Students for Pre Ph.D. Course Work and the Program Structure of B.Tech. (ECE) & M.Tech. (ECE) program.

**Item No. Consideration of recommendations of Board of Studies of  
26.5.11 Department of Languages & Literature.**

4.5.11.1 The recommendations of BARC were approved by the Academic Council w.r.t. Revision of the Course Curriculum of M. A. (English) & Modification of the Course syllabus of various pre-Ph. D. Courses.

**Item No. Consideration of application of Mr. Shyam Ruhela (2011EEC58) for  
26.5.12 restoration of admission to the B.Tech. (E&CE) programme at DoECE  
for the second time and an additional Semester Withdrawal for Aug-  
Dec 2015 & Jan-May, 2016 Semester on Medical Grounds**

4.5.12.1 The recommendations of BARC regarding consideration of application of Mr. Shyam Ruhela (2011EEC58) for restoration of admission to the B.Tech. (E&CE) programme at DoECE and Semester Withdrawal for Aug-Dec 2015 on Medical Grounds was deliberated by the Academic Council & it was decided that Mr. Shyam Ruhela's (2011EEC58) application for restoration of admission to the B.Tech. (E&CE) programme at DoECE and Semester Withdrawal for Aug-Dec 2015 & Jan-May, 2016 be considered on Medical Grounds & on sympathetic grounds and he be allowed to register in Aug-Dec., 2016 semester, subject to submission of Affidavit by him and his father providing that the student shall attend the classes regularly and appear for the exam as per schedule and not leave the University without prior permission.

The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for ratification of the decision taken.

**Agenda Re-considering the number of Fellowships/ Assistantships to Ph.D.  
Item No. Students  
26.5.13**

4.5.13.1 The recommendations of BARC regarding re-considering the number of Fellowships/ Assistantships to Ph.D. Students were deliberated by the Academic Council and following was recommended for consideration of the Executive Council:



- a. The rule concerning "One Full-time Ph.D. Student (eligible for Assistantship) to each of the eligible Ph.D. Supervisor (Faculty Member) be dispensed off with.
- b. Each eligible Faculty Member as Ph.D. Supervisor can supervise any number of Ph.D. Students receiving Assistantship either from the University resources or from any other external source as decided by the Department Research Committee on the research area/interest of the candidate, subject to the maximum number of Ph.D. Students to be supervised by a faculty member as per UGC regulations".

4.5.13.2 Further it was also recommended that in view of the Ministry of Human Resource Development guidelines vide notification F.No. 17-2/2014-TS.I dated 18/02/2015 w.r.t. revision of Ph.D. Scholarship/Fellowship/Assistant in AICTE funded and centrally funded Technical Institutions, other Government and Government Aided Institutions funded by AICTE & UGC, be suitably adopted at SMVDU and the Assistantship to Ph.D. students be enhanced accordingly.

4.5.13.3 It was also recommended that Ph.D. students (Non-NET/Non-GATE) admitted to various Departments/School may also be provided with Assistantship @ 75% of the Assistantship amount payable to the Ph.D. students having NET/GATE. Other guidelines concerning release of Assistantship, extension of Assistantship shall be same as in case of students having NET/GATE.

**Item No. Proposal for addition of the requirement of publication of Research Papers for award of MBA & M.Tech. Degree**  
**26.5.14**

4.5.14.1 The recommendations of BARC regarding inclusion of the requirement of publication of Research Papers for award of MBA & M.Tech. Degree was deliberated by the Academic Council.

4.5.14.2 It was decided that it will be mandatory for the students registered in M.B.A. & M.Tech. program to publish at-least one paper – in Journal (Not Paid journal) or Conference (in National/International Society) before appearing for final evaluation of Project/Dissertation and for award of MBA & M.Tech. Degree. Acceptance of the paper by the Conference/Journal shall be deemed to be meeting the condition. This shall be applicable to the students admitted from the Academic Session 2016-17.

The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for ratification of the decision taken.



**Item No. 26.6**

**Considering the adoption of University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.PHIL./PH.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 at SMVDU**

4.6.1 The Academic Council considered the proposal for in-Principle approval for the adoption of University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.PHIL./PH.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016 with suitable amendments/modifications as applicable in Ph.D. Ordinances of SMVDU on the recommendations of a Screening Committee to be constituted by the Academic Council. The applicability of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.PHIL./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 particularly w.r.t. critical aspects governing the subject matter shall be w.e.f. Academic Session 2016-17. The Council constituted the Screening Committee consisting of the following members:

- a. Dean FoE                      Chairman
- b. Dean FoS
- c. Dean FoM
- d. Dean FoHSS
- e. I/c Associate Dean (Academic Affairs)

The recommendations of the Screening Committee shall be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Item No.26.7 Proposal for Amendment in Academic Rule regarding Requirements for Continuation and conditions for Termination of Admission for all programs.**

4.7.1 The Academic Council considered the proposal for the following amendment in the Academic rule:

“On request of such students, who face termination after first two semesters, an opportunity in the form of one additional Semester (immediately succeeding) may be provided in which the student can register only for backlog courses being offered and attempt to meet the Requirement of Continuation of Degree again. In case the student does not meet the requirement even after this opportunity then the admission shall stand terminated. In case such students wish to register during Summer Semester then they will be allowed to register for the backlog courses on self-study basis in case a course is not offered on regular class room mode”.

4.7.2 Further, the Academic Council also approved the introduction of remedial classes for academically weak students. Such students will be identified immediately after the admission process by the AAC of each department. Further such students will also be identified by the Mentors of the students based on their performance in the examination or based on their interaction with the students during the course of the semester.



The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Item No. 26.8 Ratification of the decision taken regarding change in format of Degree Certificate**

- 4.8.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken w.r.t. printing the name of the signatories on the Degree Certificates.

The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for information.

**Item No.26.9 Ratification of decision taken w.r.t. re-constitution of Board of Studies of Department of Physics.**

- 4.9.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken w.r.t. re-constitution of Board of Studies of Department of Physics.

**Item No.26.10 Ratification of decision taken w.r.t. grant of special permission in favour of Mr. Rishabh (13PHDSBT03), Ph.D. student, DoBT for his stay at IIT Delhi in connection with his Ph.D. research work.**

- 4.10.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken w.r.t. grant of special permission in favour of Mr. Rishabh (13PHDSBT03), Ph.D. student, DoBT for his stay at IIT Delhi in connection with his Ph.D. research work.

**Item No.26.11 Ratification of the decision taken for restoration of admission of Mr. Adhish Siawal (2012EAL08) to the B.Arch. program at DoALD, on Medical Grounds.**

- 4.11.1 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken w.r.t. restoration of admission of Mr. Adhish Siawal (2012EAL08) to the B.Arch. program at DoALD, on Medical Grounds.

- 4.11.2 Further, I/C Associate Dean(AA), apprised the Council about the receipt of another application from Mr. Adhish Siawal (2012EAL08) through Head DoALD, whereby the student has requested for another semester withdrawal on Medical Grounds. The Academic Council considered the request of the student on Medical & Sympathetic grounds in relaxation of the rule governing Semester Withdrawal.

The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for ratification of the decision taken.

**Item No.26.12 Ratification of the decision taken for re-introducing of CAT as mode for admitting students in MBA program.**

- 4.12.3 The Academic Council ratified the decision taken for re-introducing of utilizing CAT percentile as mode for admitting students to the MBA program from the Academic Year 2016-17.



The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council for information.

Item  
No.26.13

Any Other Item with the permission of Chair

Item  
No.26.13.1

Proposal for consideration of Library Staff [Assistant Librarian and above] as Academic and Non-Vacational Staff and extending applicability of UGC 2010 regulations and its subsequent amendments with respect to Minimum Qualifications for Direct Recruitment, Stages of Promotion under CAS, Pay Scales and Career Advancement Schemes, Regulations and Incentives for Higher qualifications and Leave Rules.

4.13.1.1

After detailed discussion on the matter, the Academic Council recommended to the Executive Council to consider the Library employees of SMVDU [Assistant Librarian and above] as "Academic and Non-Vacational Staff". Further, the UGC 2010 Regulations and subsequent amendments, relating to their minimum qualifications for direct recruitment, the stages of promotion under the career advancement scheme, Pay Scales, Career advancement schemes regulations and Incentives for Ph.D. / M.Phil. and other higher qualifications, and UGC Leave Rules as applicable to Faculty members of the University shall also be applicable to Library staff.

Agenda  
Item  
No.26.13.2

Providing of Scholarship to meritorious students at the time of admission.

4.13.2.1

The Academic Council approved the following scheme of Scholarship to Meritorious candidates admitted in the MBA Program on the basis of their performance in CAT as under:

Name of the Program	Eligibility for Scholarship	Scholarship payable
MBA	Above 85 percentile in CAT	Full Tuition Fee waiver for 1 <sup>st</sup> year & 50% Tuition Fee waiver for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year
	80 to 85 percentile in CAT	Full Tuition Fee waiver for 1 <sup>st</sup> year
	75 to 80 percentile in CAT	50% Tuition Fee waiver for 1 <sup>st</sup> year

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The recommendations of the Academic Council shall placed before the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

**Agenda Item No.26.13.3 Status of Admissions for the Academic Year 2016-17**

4.13.3.1 The Academic Council noted the status of admission to various programs offered for the Academic Year 2016-17. During the discussions held all members were of the strong opinion that the tuition fee for B.Tech. & B.Arch. programs was significantly high and a tuition fee of Rs.80,000-90,000/- per annum would be a more suitable figure to attract better talent to the university. Although NITs charge a tuition fee of Rs.1.25 Lakh per annum, their other related charges are much lower while the brand value of NITs, established over decades, is much higher as compared to SMVDU which comparatively is much younger and is in the process of making space for itself at national level.

4.13.3.2 **Merging of Departments:** With the objective of consolidating the resources and strengths of the following Schools/Departments and for efficient administration of the same, it is recommended that the following department be merged into a single entity:

Sr.	Existing Department / School	New Department
1	Department of Economics & School of Business	Department of Management Studies
2	Department of Language & Literature & Department of Philosophy & Culture	Department of Languages & Philosophy

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

*Chairman*  
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