



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Date : 17th February, 2025, Monday.
Time : 10.00 a.m.

Members Present

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal
Vice-Chancellor (In the Chair)
2. Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil
3. Dr. C N Vijayakumari
4. Dr. Bindu R L
5. Dr. Sumesh Divakaran
6. Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan
7. Dr. R Vasantha Gopal
8. Dr. A Bijukumar
9. Dr. Manju S Nair
10. Dr. Sabu Joseph
11. Dr. Noushad V
12. Dr. Abhayan G S
13. Dr. Arun A Rauf
14. Dr. Swapna T S
15. Dr. E.A Siril
16. Dr. Suneesh C V
17. Dr. Biju T
18. Dr. Rajesh Kumar B.M
19. Dr. D Muhammad Noorul Mubarak
20. Smt. Preethi K
21. Dr. Sheeja S R
22. Dr. Bindu T V
23. Dr. Thara Prabhakaran
24. Dr. Anees A
25. Dr. S.R Jayasree
26. Dr. Shaji A
27. Sri. Ashraf A
28. Dr. Sudhi S Vijayan
29. Dr. L. Darwin
30. Dr. Seema Jerome
31. Dr. Thalmi B
32. Dr. I Hubert Joe
33. Dr. Sam Solomon
34. Dr. Sreekala R B
35. Dr. R Lekshmi
36. Dr. V Biju
37. Dr. H. Sylaja
38. Dr. R S Krishnakumar

39. Dr. Sandhya R S
40. Dr. Manoj Chacko
41. Dr. Hepsy Rose Mary
42. Dr. G. Prasad
43. Dr. C R Prasad
44. Dr. Shiburaj S
45. Dr. K.S Suresh Kumar
46. Dr. S Nazeeb
47. Dr. Rahim K
48. Prof. Manoj V
49. Prof. (Dr.) Prakash K.C
50. Dr. Pramod N
51. Dr. T.R Manoj
52. Dr. M Lenin Lal
53. Sri. Ajay D N
54. Sri. Ahamed Fazil Y
55. Sri. P S Gopakumar
56. Dr. Vindokumar T G Nair
57. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G
58. Dr. Shijukhan J S
59. Prof.(Dr.) P M Radhamany
60. Dr. S Jayan
61. Sri. R Rajesh
62. Dr. Gopchandran K G
63. Dr. M.S Anilkumar
64. Dr. G. Thulaseedharan
65. Dr. P R Unnikrishnapillai
66. Dr. R Sunilkumar
67. Dr. Sreelekha L
68. Dr. K Radhakrishnan
69. Dr. Ragaseema V M
70. Dr. Sushama Raj R V
71. Dr. Anzer R N
72. Dr. Aji S
73. Dr. Vinod C Sugathan
74. Smt. Asha Prabhakaran
75. Dr. Prasad Rajendran
76. Smt. Rumla Beegum S
77. Dr. K.P Jayakumar
78. Dr. R Santhosh
79. Dr. J Binoy
80. Dr. Vineetha N R
81. Dr. Harinarayanan M
82. Dr. P Vinod

Online Presence

1. Dr. Meena T Pillai
2. Dr. Abhilash Pillai
3. Adv. R. B Rajeev Kumar

The meeting was called to order at 10.00 a.m by Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal, Vice-Chancellor in the Chair. He welcomed the members to the meeting.

(I) Business brought forward by the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate.

01. Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No 10087/2023 Dated: 12.04.2023 filed by Prabhu B M & Eleven Others - Issue Regarding Eligibility to Appear for Improvement of Internal Assessment for LL.B Courses – Consideration of Reg. (Ac.AIII)

As per the Regulations of Unitary/Integrated LL.B courses there shall be no chance to improve either internal assessment marks or written examination marks.

But considering the hardships of students who were not able to secure minimum internals due to unavoidable reasons, University introduced the opportunity for Improvement of Internal Assessment for LL.B courses from the year 2018-19. As per the Guidelines for improvement of Internal Assessment as Special Appearance vide U.O No. Ac AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 Dated:02.11.2018, Clause'1', "Provision for improvement of internal assessment as special appearance to the LLB students will be available only for failed candidates, one year after completion of course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal assessment".

Aggrieved by the above clause, failed candidates who scored 10 marks and more as internal assessment approached the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala seeking relief from the same, in order to apply for internal improvement as special appearance, citing violation of Article 14 of the Indian Constitution.

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in the Judgement of WP(C) No 10087/2023 Dated:12/04/2023 disposed the writ petition with direction to the University to consider the issue regarding eligibility to appear for improvement of internal assessment by affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, if they so request .

Immediately on receipt of the above judgment, remarks were sought from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Law (Pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Law. The Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass) has remarked that students are enjoying the facility which is not authorized by either the Bar Council of India (Legal Education) Rules, 2008 or LL.B Regulation 2013. As such, they have no right to improve their internal assessment. This is only a humanitarian approach adopted by the University to students who for some un-avoidable reasons were not able to secure minimum internals. Thus the criteria is not at all arbitrary or unreasonable and no violation of Article 14 is involved. The Dean, Faculty of Law has Endorsed the Remarks offered by the Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass).

In compliance with the Judgment passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and also based on the representation submitted by Sri. Prabhu B M on behalf of other petitioners for conducting hearing, the petitioners were heard in person by the Registrar on 08.05.2023, 4.00 PM at University Building, Palayam.

In the hearing, the petitioners presented their case and submitted written statement requesting opportunity to improve their internal assessment marks as special appearance to LL.B courses, which is currently provided to failed candidates, one year after completion of the course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal assessment be extended to those who have scored 10 or more marks as internal assessment also.

After having considered the facts of the case and perusing relevant documents, it was recommended to refer the matter to the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

The Academic Council held on 25.05.2023 vide item no. 90 considered the matter and resolved to refer the matter to the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) for detailed discussions and the recommendations to be placed before the next Academic Council.

Followed by, the whole matter pertaining to the case was considered in the Additional meeting of the BoS in Law (Pass) held on 26.06.2023 and the Board unanimously decided that impugned clause in the University Order (Clause 1 of the U.O No. Ac AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 Dated:02.11.2018) is fixed taking into account of all aspects and there is no discrimination and violation of Article 14 of the Constitution is involved (Minutes consisting of detailed recommendations appended). The Dean, Faculty of Law approved the same.

The Academic Council held on 21.11.2023 vide item no. 12 considered the whole matter *and resolved that the inclusion of the provision for improvement of internal assessment as special appearance for failed candidates, one year after completion of the course, irrespective of the internal*

marks secured, shall be discussed by all Board of Studies (Online mode) within one month and their recommendations with the endorsement of the respective Dean shall be submitted before the Vice-Chancellor for a final decision.

As per the said resolution, various Boards of Studies discussed the matter and submitted the remarks on the matter endorsed by the Faculty concerned (Copy of the Remarks of various BoS appended). The Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 15.04.2024 recommended that the Clause 1 of the UO No. Ac AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 dated: 02.11.2018 is neither discriminatory nor violative of Article 14 of the Constitution. No change in the existing UO is recommended. The Faculty in Law held on 30.04.2024 endorsed the above recommendation.

In this case, two recent decisions taken by the University regarding Internal Improvement of B.Tech & B. Des courses may also be noted:

1) In the case of B.Tech Degree Courses, the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 vide item no 32 resolved not to extent the provision of improvement of sessional marks to the B.Tech degree course - 2018 scheme candidates of the University College of Engineering, Kariavattom who have completed five years after joining the Course and failed due to low internals, as per the remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

2) In the case of B.Des in Fashion Design Degree course, Vide U.O No. Ac A IV/7708/2024/UOK Dated: 09.09.2024, sanction was accorded to only failed candidates, who had scored less than 50% marks for the CA part to improve their internal assessment marks, as recommended by the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter pertaining to this case along with the remarks of the various Boards of Studies in the University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to permit all the petitioners in WP(C) No 10087/2023 dated 12.04.2023 to improve their internal assessment marks.

FURTHER RESOLVED to refer the matter regarding the improvement of internal assessment marks to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for considering the matter in a larger perspective and to submit a detailed proposal to the Academic Council

02. UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulations, 2018 –Implementation of 2nd, 3rd and 4th Amendment –Reg. (Ac.FII)

The matter regarding the implementation of the Third Amendment to UGC Regulations 2018, was laid before the special meeting of the Senate held on 18.06.2024 and the **House resolved to refer the item back to Academic Council for considering together the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018. Accordingly the afore mentioned Amendments are detailed below for consideration.**

In pursuance of the Govt of India Gazette Notification No.F.1/2017(EC/PS) dated 18.07.2018, promulgating UGC Regulations 2018, the Academic Council of University of Kerala considered the implementation of the said Regulations. The UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for appointment of teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges, 2018 were approved by the Academic Council and the same was implemented w.e.f 18/07/2018. Accordingly UO No.Ac.F II/General/UGC-R-2018/2019 dated 20.03.2020 was issued.

Second Amendment to UGC Regulations, 2018

These regulations may be called the University Grants Commission (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Amendment Regulations, 2021.'

As per the 2nd Amendment, the following provisions of the University Grants Commission Regulations, 2018, are amended and shall now read as follows:"

Regulation	Existing Provisions in the Principal Regulations	Amended provisions in principal Regulations
3.10	“The Ph.D. Degree shall be a mandatory qualification for direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Professor in Departments of the Universities with effect from 01.07.2021. ”	“The Ph.D. Degree shall be a mandatory qualification for direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Professor in Departments of the Universities with effect from 01.07.2023. ”

The Amendment Regulations 2021, which has deferred the mandatory requirement of PhD qualification for direct recruitment of Assistant Professors in the Departments of the Universities till 01.07.2023 was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic & Research held on 02.12.2022 and the Committee recommended to defer the matter. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 08.12.2022 considered the above said matter and resolved to defer the matter. The Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor further ordered to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research for consideration and recommendation.

Present Status

“2nd Amendment is not implemented in the University”

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 08.10.2024 considered the implementation of UGC Amendment Regulations 2021 and **recommended to entrust the Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research to study the fourth and present amendments and submit report before the next Standing committee Syndicate on Academics and Research.**The Syndicate at its meeting held on 05.11.2024, vide item no.15.06.D7 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee. Accordingly, Letter No. 29597/Ac F II/2023/UOK dated 11.12.2024 was forwarded to the Convenor of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, requesting consideration of the matter and submission of the report.

Third Amendment to UGC Regulations, 2018

These regulations may be called the University Grants Commission (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) (3rd Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

As per the 3rd Amendment, the following provisions of the University Grants Commission Regulations, 2018, are amended and shall now read as follows:"

Regulation	Existing Provisions in the Principal Regulations	Amended provisions in principal Regulations
3.12	No person shall be appointed to the post of University and College teacher, Librarian or Director of Physical Education and Sports, in any university or in any of institutions including constituent or affiliated colleges recognised under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or in an institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the said Act if such person does not fulfill the requirements as to the qualifications for the appropriate post as provided in the Schedule 1 of these Regulations	No person shall be appointed to the post of University and College teacher, Librarian, or Director of Physical Education and Sports, in any university or in any of the institutions including constituent or affiliated colleges recognized under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or in an institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the said Act if such person does not fulfill the requirements as to the qualifications for the appropriate post as provided in these Regulations.
6.3	The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from	The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of

	the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify shortly under the existing regulations, a choice may be given to them, for being considered for promotions under the existing Regulations. This option can be exercised only within three years from the date of notification of these Regulations.	notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify within six months (till 17th January, 2019) as per the UGC Regulations, 2010, a choice may be given to them either, for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations. This option can be exercised only up to 31st December 2023 and the date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of promotion. On the date of submission of the application, the candidate should fulfil all eligibility criteria required for promotion.
6.3 VI (iii)	The candidate who does not succeed in the first assessment, he/she shall have to be re-assessed only after one year. When such a candidate succeeds in the eventual assessment, his/her promotion shall be deemed to be one year from the date of rejection.	The candidate who does not succeed in the first assessment, he/she shall have to be re-assessed only after one year. When such a candidate succeeds in the eventual assessment, his/her promotion shall be effected either from 1st January or 1st July depending on the date of eventual assessment, as detailed below: If the eventual assessment is between 1st January and 30th June of a year, the promotion shall be granted from 1st July of the year. If the eventual assessment is between 1st July and 31st December of a year, the promotion shall be granted from 1st January of next year.
6.3 VIII	The requirement for the Orientation Course and Refresher Course for promotions due under the CAS shall not be mandatory up to 31st December 2018.	Wherever the requirement of the Orientation Course /Refresher Course (RC) has remained incomplete, the promotions would not be held up, but these requirements should be fulfilled by 31st December 2023 or as notified by the Commission from time to time.
S.No. 3 under Table 3A	M.Phil.	M.Phil/ LLM /M.Tech/ M.Arch/ M.E./ M.V.Sc./M.D etc.
S.No. D under the category of Note below Table 3A	The score shall be valid for appointment in respective State Universities/ Colleges/Institutions only.	SLET/SET score shall be valid for appointment in respective State Universities/Colleges/Institutions only.
S.No. 3 under Table 3B	M.Phil.	M.Phil./ LLM / M.Tech / M.Arch / M.E / M.V.Sc. /M.D etc.

The matter regarding implementation of 3rd Amendment to the UGC Regulations 2018 was placed before the Academic Council held on 21.11.2023. "The Academic Council considered the matter and resolved to implement the Third amendment to the UGC Regulations 2018 regarding the Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education issued vide UGC Notification F No. 9-1/2010(PS/MISC)Pt.Vol II dated 31.07.2023 , with effect from, 31.07.2023."

The Academic Council further resolved the following:

1. Those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify within six months (till 17th January 2019) as per the UGC Regulations 2010, a choice may be given to them either , for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations . This option can be exercised only upto 31st December 2023 and the date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of Promotion.
2. The placement/promotion of teaching staff in Colleges and Universities, already approved based on option B by the University, prior to the implementation of Third Amendment, shall not be reopened.
3. In case of promotion/placement of teachers who complete RC/OC after 31.12.2023, the eligible date of promotion shall be the next day of completing the RC/OC.'

Accordingly, University Order No. 9899/2023/UOK dated 06.12.2023 was issued in accordance with the above resolution of the Academic Council.

Meanwhile Dr. Promod N, Member, Syndicate, vide letter dated 24.08.2024, has informed that, before the implementation of the 3rd Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018, many teachers had met all the promotion criteria except for completing the required RC/OC on time. These teachers were only promoted after fulfilling the RC/OC requirements. However, with the implementation of the 3rd Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018, effective from 31.07.2024, the UGC directed that "wherever the requirement of the Orientation Course/Refresher Course (RC) has remained incomplete, promotions should not be held up, but these requirements must be fulfilled by 31st December 2023." As a result, the aforementioned teachers who had already completed the promotion procedures missed the opportunity for earlier promotion. Dr. Promod N, Member, Syndicate has requested that the cases of these teachers be reconsidered and that the relaxation incorporated in the 3rd Amendment be extended to them as well.

It may be noted that the University has received many requests from the aforementioned teachers to revise their placement/promotion orders, claiming benefits under Clause 6.3 VIII of the 3rd Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018.

Additionally, several proposals from educational agencies have been received, also claiming benefits under Clause 6.3 VIII of the 3rd Amendment. These proposals pertain to cases where the selection committee meetings were conducted before the notification of the 3rd Amendment, and the committee recommended the placement/promotion of teachers effective from the next day after completing the RC/OC. However, the placement orders were issued by the educational agencies after the notification of the 3rd Amendment, thereby affecting an earlier promotion date based on the amendment.

The above mentioned matter regarding the applicability of 3rd Amendment of UGC Regulation 2018 to the teachers who have already completed promotion procedures before its implementation is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non – Teaching Staff of Private Colleges held on 09.10.2024 and the Committee recommended the following

1. Teachers who have already been promoted under UGC Regulation 2018 may benefit from the revised promotion date under the clause 6.3 VIII in the 3rd Amendment to UGC Regulation 2018. In such cases, they shall submit a proposal through proper channel for constituting the Screening-cum-Evaluation /Selection Committee to revise the promotion date.
2. Teachers who attended the Screening-cum-Evaluation/Selection Committee for CAS placement/promotion before the notification of the 3rd Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018, and were recommended for promotion without applying the amendment, but whose proposals were later forwarded by the Management with a revised date of promotion based on the 3rd Amendment, shall also submit a proposal through proper channel to constitute the Screening-cum-Evaluation/Selection Committee for revising the promotion date.
3. The members of the Screening-cum-Evaluation Committee/Selection Committee shall be the same as those constituted earlier for the respective promotion.
4. If a member of the Screening-cum-Evaluation/ Selection Committee is unable to attend the meeting, the Principal/Manager shall submit the relinquishment letter of the respective member.

5. In the case of minority educational institutions, if a member of the Selection Committee is unable to attend the meeting, the Principal or Manager shall submit a panel for selecting an alternate member, along with the relinquishment letter of the respective member, as outlined in Clause 5.0 of the UGC Regulation 2018.

6. Retired Associate Professors/Professors are not eligible for revising the date of placement/promotion, as per Clause 6.3.V of the UGC Regulation 2018.

7. Proposals submitted in accordance with the clause 6.3 VIII in the 3rd Amendment of UGC Regulation 2018, for the placement/promotion of a teacher, recommended by the Screening-cum-Evaluation /Selection Committee convened after the notification of 3rd Amendment by the UGC (31st July 2023) and before the issuance of the University's Implementation Order(06.12.2023), shall be regularized for processing and approval.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 05.11.2024 vide item no.15.08.B18 considered the above recommendations and resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate. Accordingly UO no. Ac.FII/11067/2024/UOK Dated: 20.12.2024 has been issued.

Present Status

“These amended regulations is implemented in the University w.e.f 31.07.2023.”

University Order No. 9899/2023/UOK dated 06.12.2023 was issued in accordance with the resolution of the Academic Council.

The matter regarding the implementation of the Third Amendment to UGC Regulations 2018, as resolved by the Academic Council, is laid before Senate meeting held on 18.06.2024 and the House resolved to refer the item back to Academic Council for considering together the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018.

Fourth Amendment to UGC Regulations, 2018

These regulations may be called the University Grants Commission (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) (4th Amendment) Regulations, 2024.

As per the 4th Amendment, the Clause 6.3 in the UGC (3rd Amendment) Regulations, 2023, shall be substituted with the following;

Existing Provisions in the UGC (3rd Amendment) Regulations, 2023	Amended provision
<p>The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify within six months (till 17th January, 2019) as per the UGC Regulations, 2010, a choice may be given to them either, for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations. This option can be exercised only up to 31st December 2023 and the date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of promotion. On the date of submission of the application, the candidate should fulfil all eligibility criteria required for promotion.</p>	<p>“The criteria for promotions under Career Advancement Scheme laid down under these Regulations shall be effective from the date of notification of these Regulations. However, to avoid hardship to those faculty members who have already qualified or are likely to qualify till 31st December 2024 as per the UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2010, a choice may be given to them either for being considered for promotions under the 2010 or 2018 Regulations. The date of eligibility shall be retained as the date of promotion. On the date of submission of the application, the candidate should fulfill all eligibility criteria required for promotion.”</p>

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non Teaching Staff of Private Colleges held on 23.08.2024 considered the matter regarding the implementation of the 4th

Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018 and recommended to Implement the 4th Amendment w.e.f 6th June 2024. The Syndicate held on 09.09.2024 considered the matter and resolved to approve the same subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

UO No. Ac.FII/8596/2024/UOK dated 14.10.2024 has been issued for implementing the resolution of the Syndicate and the matter was reported to the Academic Council held on 11.11.2024 vide item no. 53.

However, requests has been received from the teachers who were promoted under the 2010/2018 UGC Regulations prior to the notification of the 4th Amendment. Some of these teachers may benefit from the 4th Amendment, i.e., they may receive an earlier date of promotion. Further, the University has also received proposals from teachers for promotion after the Selection/Screening cum Evaluation Committee using the 4th Amendment. In these cases, the Selection/Screening cum Evaluation Committee convened after the notification of the 4th Amendment but before its implementation in the University.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non-Teaching staff of Private Colleges held on 09.10.2024 considered the matter regarding the clarifications of 4th Amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018 and recommended the following,

1. Teachers who have already been promoted under UGC Regulation 2010 or UGC Regulation 2018 may benefit from the 4th Amendment to UGC Regulation 2018. In such cases, they shall submit a proposal through proper channel for constituting the Screening-cum-Evaluation /Selection Committee to revise the promotion date.
2. The members of the Screening-cum-Evaluation /Selection Committee shall be the same as those constituted earlier for the respective promotion.
3. If a member of the Screening-cum-Evaluation/ Selection Committee is unable to attend the meeting, the Principal/Manager shall submit the relinquishment letter of the respective member.
4. In the case of minority educational institutions, if a member of the Selection Committee is unable to attend the meeting, the Principal or Manager shall submit a panel for selecting an alternate member, along with the relinquishment letter of the respective member, as outlined in Clause 5.0 of the UGC Regulation 2018.
5. Retired Associate Professors or Professors are not eligible for revising the date of placement/promotion, as per Clause 6.3.V of the UGC Regulation 2018.
6. Proposals submitted in accordance with the 4th Amendment of the UGC Regulation 2018, for the placement/promotion of teachers, recommended by the Screening-cum-Evaluation/Selection Committee convened after the notification of 4th amendment by the UGC(6th June 2024) and before the issuance of University's implementation order, shall be regularized for processing and approval.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 05.11.2024 vide item no.15.08.B17 considered the above recommendations and resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate. Accordingly UO no. Ac.FII/11066/2024/UOK Dated: 20.12.2024 has been issued.

Meanwhile the following amendment had also been made in the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977 :

In the Statute 3 'Appointment of Teachers' in Chapter 3 (Teachers of the University) of Kerala University First Statutes, 1977 shall be amended to add "The minimum qualifications for the appointment of teachers and other academic staff in Universities and Colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards in Higher Education promulgated by the University Grants Commission from time to time shall apply to the University from the date of promulgation of such Regulations".

As per the above amendment any change brought about by UGC from time to time shall be applicable to University from the date of promulgation of such standards.

The above said amendment proposal in the KUFS , 1977 was approved by the Senate and has been forwarded to Hon'ble Chancellor for his assent. If the above amendment gets assent from the Chancellor no further amendments need be made in the statutes to incorporate the UGC Amendment Regulations 2021.

Present Status

“These amended regulations is implemented in the University w.e.f 06.06.2024.”

UO No. Ac.FII/8596/2024/UOK dated 14.10.2024 has been issued for implementing the resolution of the Syndicate and the matter was reported to the Academic Council held on 11.11.2024 vide item no. 53.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the implementation of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018 is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the resolution of the meeting of the Senate held on 18.06.2024 vide item No.06 to consider together the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018 and **NOTED** that the 3rd Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018 has been implemented in the University wef 31.07.2023 as resolved by the Academic Council held on 21.11.2023 and the 4th Amendment of UGC Regulations, 2018 has been implemented in the University wef 06.06.2024 as resolved by the Syndicate held on 09.09.2024 subject to reporting to the Academic Council and the same was reported to the Academic Council held on 11.11.2024 **AND RESOLVED** to consider the 2nd amendment to the UGC regulations 2018, UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and other Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education), Amendment Regulations 2021, based on the report submitted by the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research as entrusted by the Syndicate held on 05.11.2024.

03. Reconsideration of the Recognition of M.A. in Politics and International Relations (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam–Consideration of-Reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Mass representations regarding reconsideration

This note pertains to the reconsideration of the recognition of the M.A. Degree in Politics and International Relations (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.

Background:

The Academic Council, in its earlier decision, recognized the M.A. in Politics and International Relations (Regular) degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, as equivalent to the M.A. Degree in Public Administration offered by the University of Kerala. (Appendix 1)

Concerns Raised:

Subsequent to this decision, a significant number of applicants, faculty members, and research scholars in Public Administration have expressed serious concerns regarding the academic and professional implications of this equivalence.

The primary concerns raised include:

- **Academic Mismatch:** Public Administration and Political Science, along with its allied subject like Politics and International Relations, are entirely different in nature and scope. Political Science applies social scientific reasoning to political process and issues, while Public Administration focuses on public affairs, policy development, management skills, and their applications to public service. Equating these two programmes is academically unsound.
- **Policies of University Grant Commission and Other Universities:** The UGC recognizes these as separate disciplines, conducting distinct NET examinations. Most Central and State Universities offer separate undergraduate and postgraduate programs in Public Administration and Political Science, each governed by distinct Boards of Studies that reflect the unique expertise and content of these fields.
- **Impact on Career Prospects:** This equivalence could potentially dilute the value of a specialized degree in Public Administration, impacting job opportunities and higher education prospects.
- **Arguments based on UGC Public Notice No.F.27-9(Orissa)201 0(L)/PS, Dated: 4th July,**

2018 : This Public Notice permits interchangeability of faculty appointments in Political Science and Public Administration based on the condition of lack expertise (**Appendix 2**). Nevertheless in Kerala, there are enough number of qualified Public Administration Post Graduates and UGC-NET qualified individuals.

- **Apprehensions on Marginalisation:** This decision may disproportionately affect students from disadvantaged communities enrolled in M.A. Public Administration Programme.
- **Inconsistency with Previous Decisions:** The Academic Council at its meeting (Item No: 44, Dated: August 27, 2020) rejected the application for the recognition of the M.A. Degree in Public Administration (Regular) awarded by University of Madras through Madras Christian College (Autonomous) for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Political Science. (**Appendix 3**)
- **Violation of Regulations of University of Kerala:** The recognition allegedly happened despite negative recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Public Administration and Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences. (Item No: 69 of the Minutes of the Academic Council, Dated: April 01, 2022) (**Appendix 4**)
- **Syllabus Overlap:** The syllabus overlap between the M.A. Degree in Public Administration of UoK and M.A. in Politics and International Relations of Mahatma Gandhi University is deemed insufficient for true equivalency.

Redress Sought by the Petitioners:

The applicants request a reconsideration of the decision. They seek the revocation of the recognition order (3916/2022/UOK, dated: 10.05.2022) and the cancellation of the related eligibility certificate (Ac.C/064594/2022).

Expert Opinion:

Fresh remarks of the Chairperson of the Board of Studies in Public Administration and the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences have been obtained. They have both reiterated the fundamental differences between the two disciplines and opposed the equivalence. (**Detailed Remarks have been appended - Appendix 5**)

Hence the whole matter regarding the reconsideration of the recognition of the M.A. Degree in Politics and International Relations (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED NOT to recognize the M.A. Degree in Politics and International Relations (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, as equivalent to the M.A. Degree in Public Administration offered by the University of Kerala, prospectively.

FURTHER RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Syndicate on the following:

1. to examine whether the resolution of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 01.04.2022 vide item No. 69 granting equivalency to the M.A. Degree in Politics and International Relations (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, to the M.A. Degree in Public Administration offered by the University of Kerala, was erroneously recorded in the minutes and
2. to examine whether the University order No 3916/2022/UOK dated 10/05/2022 implementing the earlier resolution be revoked retrospectively based on the present resolution of the Academic Council.

04. Recognition as approved Research Centre in Psychology – Dept. of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous) Kollam – reg. (Ac.EI)

Application was submitted by the Principal, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous),Kollam to recognize the Dept.of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous)Kollam, as an approved research centre of University of Kerala. The Syndicate held on 12.10.2023 vide Item No. 05.51.A3 considered the matter along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to constitute an

Inspection team comprising of Adv. Muraleedharan Pillai G., Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate, Dr. P.M. Radhamany, Dr.S. Jayan, Members Syndicate and Dr. Bindu P., Professor, Dept.of Psychology, University of Kerala as the subject expert and the said inspection was conducted at Dept.of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous)Kollam on 17/08/2024.

The following are the major findings in the inspection report furnished by the Inspection Committee.

1. The proposed Centre has its own building for library, reference section etc
2. The Centre has provided separate working facilities to individual scholars.
3. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
4. A research committee has been constituted comprising of research guides.
5. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

As per the Norms, the Library of the Centre should have a minimum of 12 Journals in the subject and a collection of at least 3000 books. The inspection Committee has submitted, along with the Inspection Report, an Affidavit of the Principal, Fatima Mata National College, Kollam, ensuring that the required Journals and the Books will be made available in the Library within six months.

In the above circumstances, the inspection team recommended to approve the Dept.of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous)Kollam as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala. The Syndicate held on 05.11.2024 vide Item No.15.06.A19, resolved to recommend and place the matter before the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the Department of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous)Kollam as approved Research Centre under University of Kerala, in the subject Psychology, is placed before the Academic Council for opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Department of Psychology, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous) Kollam as an approved Research Centre under the University of Kerala, in the subject Psychology.

05. Recognition as approved Research Centre – Department of Polymer Chemistry, Govt.College, Attingal –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.EI)

Application has been submitted by the Principal, Govt. College, Attingal to recognize the Dept.of Polymer Chemistry of the College as an approved research centre of University of Kerala in the subject Chemistry.

The Syndicate held on 15.02.2024 vide Item: 08.100.A6 considered the matter along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to constitute an Inspection team comprising of Dr.K.G.Gopchandran (Convenor), SC on A & R, Dr.P.M.Radhamany, (Member Syndicate) and Dr. Suneesh S. V. Professor & Head, Dept of Chemistry, University of Kerala, Kariavattom as subject expert, to the approval of Department of Polymer Chemistry. Govt. College, Attingal as a recognized research centre. The said inspection was conducted at Dept.of Polymer Chemistry Govt. College, Attingal on 08.08.2024.

The following are the major findings in the inspection report furnished by the Inspection Committee.

1. The proposed Centre has its own building for library, reference section.
2. The library of the Centre has sufficient number of Books and Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities to scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising of research guides.
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that

adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the inspection team recommended to approve the Department of Polymer Chemistry, Govt. College, Attingal as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala in the subject Chemistry.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 05.11.2024, vide item No.15.06.A23 considered the inspection report along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and resolved to recommend and forward the matter to the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor, the matter of recognition of Department of Polymer Chemistry, Govt. College, Attingal as approved Research Centre under University of Kerala, in the subject Chemistry, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Department of Polymer Chemistry, Govt. College, Attingal, as an approved Research Centre under the University of Kerala, in the subject Chemistry.

06. Recognition of B.Ed Degree with Methods of Teaching Subject - I: History & Civics, Subject- II: English (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University-Consideration of-Reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Saritha R dtd. 30/08/2024

Smt. Saritha R submitted an application for recognition of B.Ed Degree with Methods of Teaching Subject - I: History & Civics, Subject- II: English (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University for the purpose of equating it with B.Ed Degree in Social Science of this University for both higher studies and employment. The candidate has passed recognised 10+2 pattern of study. She passed B.A Degree in History from the University of Calicut, which is recognised by this University.

The Chairman BoS in Education (pass) has remarked that the B.Ed Degree with Methods of Teaching Subject - I: History & Civics, Subject- II: English (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Social Science is the prescribed qualification.

The Dean Faculty of Education has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Education pass.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Ed Degree with Methods of Teaching Subject - I: History & Civics, Subject- II: English (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Social Science is the prescribed qualification is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.Ed Degree with Methods of Teaching Subject - I: History & Civics, Subject- II: English (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Social Science is the prescribed qualification.

07. Ph.D Research – Seeking permission to change Medium of Instruction by Mr. Abdullah Yahya Sagheer Mutahar, a Research Scholar in Islamic History- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.EI)

Mr. Abdullah Yahya Sagheer Mutahar (a foreign scholar) has been granted full-time Ph.D. registration in Islamic History at Department of Islamic and West Asian Studies, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under the guidance of Dr. Manu T, w.e.f 15.02.2023, vide UO. No.Ac.B1/FS/Ph D/11/2022 dated 10.04.2023.

The Research Scholar had submitted request to transfer him to the Department of Arabic, without changing the Ph.D. topic. In his request, it is stated that all the books and studies related to his topic are written in Arabic language and it is extremely difficult to transfer and translate all of these

into English language. Dr. Manu T, the present supervisor has given the No Objection Certificate for joining the Dept. of Arabic and Dr. Noushad V, Assistant Professor & Head, Dept. of Arabic has given the consent for doing his research work in this Department.

Dr. Manu T, the present supervisor (himself as the Chairman Doctoral Committee) in his consent stated that, there is no denying that it is very difficult to him for translating the sources, all of which are in Arabic, into English. The supervisor also stated that it would be better if the research scholar has a guide who knows Arabic.

The ICCR awarded the scholarship to Mr. Abdullah Yahya Sagheer Mutahar, from Yemen to pursue the Ph.D. research in the subject Islamic Studies with the consent of all the Departments concerned, in this regard.

It may also be noted that the CGA section has remarked that the General Guidelines for International Students under ICCR scholarships, it is clearly mentioned that the Medium of Instruction is English in all the Universities in India. Applicants should therefore have good knowledge of English to the extent that they are able to speak fluently in English and comprehend lessons in English without any difficulty. Also subsequent change of University/Institute or course after ICCR Scholarship has been awarded will not be entertained by ICCR.

The following possibilities were considered:

If the Research Scholar transfer his Research Centre from Dept. of Islamic and West Asian Studies to Dept. of Arabic, without changing the subject and the topic of research, either;

(i) the proposed supervisor should have the guideship in the subject Islamic History with Dept. of Arabic as his/her facility centre.

or

(ii) The Dept. of Arabic should have the recognition as approved research centre in the subject Islamic History

(iii) The possibilities of including a co-supervisor from the subject Arabic, by retaining the main supervisor and the centre allotted to the research scholar may also be considered in this regard.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.10.2023, vide item no. 05.51.A22, considered the matter, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and resolved to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 21.11.2023, vide item no.50, considered the matter and resolved to seek concurrence from ICCR regarding the change in the medium of instruction to Arabic. Accordingly, letter dated 01.02.2024 has been sent to the Zonal Head, ICCR. Reply from the Zonal Head has been received through email dated 01.07.2024. It is remarked that, ICCR, Competent Authority, has allowed him to submit his thesis in Arabic language as a special case without any additional financial implication, if any, will have to be borne by the student himself.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by Mr. Abdullah Yahya Sagheer Mutahar, full-time Research Scholar in Islamic History along with the concurrence from ICCR regarding the change in the medium of instruction from English to Arabic is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant permission to Mr. Abdullah Yahya Sagheer Mutahar, (a foreign scholar) full-time Research Scholar in Islamic History to change the medium of instruction from English to Arabic, as a special case, based on the concurrence given by the ICCR.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the Heads of the Department of Islamic and West Asian Studies and the Department of Arabic to identify External Examiners in the subject Islamic History, for preparation of Panel of examiners by the supervising teacher, towards evaluation of the Ph D thesis in Arabic.

ALSO RESOLVED that the above resolution shall not be considered as precedence and no foreign scholar shall be permitted to change medium of instruction from English to any other language in future.

ALSO RESOLVED that the University is not bound to take in any foreign student, if found lacking proficiency in English Language.

ALSO RESOLVED to entrust the Head, Department of Arabic to suggest a co-guide from the Department of Arabic for the Research Scholar, in accordance with the procedures.

08. Guidelines for pursuing two Academic Programmes simultaneously- Letter from UGC dtd 13/4/2022-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.A IV)

Ref : DO letter No:1-6/2007(CPP-II) from UGC dtd13/4/2022

The Secretary, University Grants Commission, vide ref cited above, has forwarded the guidelines for pursuing two Academic Programmes simultaneously for implementation in the Universities as envisaged in NEP 2020.

After obtaining remarks from IQAC, the matter was placed before the Academic Council held on 07.01.2023 vide item No. 114, which was further referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

The Syndicate held on 12/10/2023 vide item no. 05.52.23 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate to constitute a new sub- committee comprising of Adv. G. Muraleedharan Pillai, Convenor, Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Dr. S. Jayan and Dr. Shijukhan J S, Members Syndicate and to submit a report on the guidelines issued by UGC for pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously.

As per the report of the sub-committee held on 02/02/2024, the Committee recommended to implement UGC guidelines for pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously in University of Kerala. Also, entrusted a new Committee including the members of the presentsub-committee and the Deans of the Faculties of Arts, Science, Social Sciences, Applied Sciences and Technology to prepare a detailed proposal regarding the academic and administrative matters regarding the same.

The above committee discussed the matter in detail and entrusted the Director, IQAC and Deputy Registrar(Acad II) along with the Deans to prepare a detailed proposal regarding the same and to place the same before next sub- committee meeting .

The sub-committee in its meeting held on 05/07/2024, approved the guidelines prepared by the Deans of Faculties of Arts, Science, Applied Sciences and Technology and Social Sciences, Director, IQAC, and Deputy Registrar (Acad II).

1. The sub committee recommended to collect details of the candidate using a separate application form and proposed a format for the same.

2. By considering the extra workload for collecting and processing of such applications, the Committee further recommended to form a separate section in the University under the Controller of Examinations and also to collect specific fees from the candidates who intends to pursue 2 courses at same time.

3. The sub-committee referred the matter regarding the fixation of fees(fee for Page 1 of 10application form, fee for pursuing two courses, fees for one-time certificate) to the Syndicate. (Report of the sub-committee, the Guidelines for pursuing two courses in University of Kerala and the format of application form for the same are appended)

The Syndicate in its meeting held on 09/09/2024 vide item no.14.31 considered the matter and approved the report of the sub-committee and referred the matter regarding fixation of fees before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 18/10/2024 to fix the fee for pursuing two Academic programmes simultaneously as detailed below :

Fee For application form - Rs.25/-

Fee for One-time certificate - Rs. 1000/-

Also, the Committee recommended totake necessary steps to amend the University regulations accordingly.

The Syndicate in its meeting held on 11/11/2024 considered the matter vide item no. 15.93.20 and resolved to approve the above recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding the implementation of pursuing two courses simultaneously in University of Kerala as envisaged in the National Educational Policy 2020, along with the report of the sub-committee in the matter, guidelines for the same as approved by the Syndicate and the format of application to be submitted by the candidates for the above purpose, are placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered and RESOLVED to approve the matter regarding the implementation of pursuing two programmes simultaneously in University of Kerala as envisaged in the National Educational Policy 2020, along with the report of the sub-committee in the matter, guidelines for the same as approved by the Syndicate and the format of application to be submitted by the candidates for the above purpose.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Registrar shall approve the applications of Students pursuing Primary programme from University of Kerala by issuing a certificate one-time to pursue another programme in this University/Other University/College.

ALSO RESOLVED that wherever the word 'course' occurs in the Agenda be corrected as 'Programme'.

09. ORI & MSS ലൈബ്രറിയുടെ പിയർ റിവ്യൂ ഷേർണലുകളായ പ്രാചീന കൈരളി , Journal of Manuscripts Studies, തിരുവനന്തപുരം സർക്കാർ വനിതാ കോളേജിൽ നിന്നിറങ്ങുന്ന 'വൈജ്ഞാനിക മലയാളം', എന്നീ ഷേർണലുകൾ സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകൃത ഷേർണലുകളുടെ പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്നത് -സംബന്ധിച്ച് (Ac.AII)

സൂചന :

1. സർക്കാർ വനിതാ കോളേജ് പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽ അയച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന B1/1165/2023/GCWT നമ്പർ കത്ത്
2. മലയാളം (പി ജി) ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസ് അധ്യക്ഷയുടെ 22.8.2024-ലെ അപേക്ഷ

സൂചന (1) പ്രകാരം തിരുവനന്തപുരം സർക്കാർ വനിതാ കോളേജിന്റെ മലയാള വിഭാഗം പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിക്കുന്ന ' GCW വൈജ്ഞാനിക മലയാളം'എന്ന പിയർ റിവ്യൂ ഓൺലൈൻ മാഗസിൻ സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകാരം ലഭിക്കുന്നതിനായി അപേക്ഷ ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നു .

കൂടാതെ സൂചന (2) പ്രകാരം, മുൻപ് സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകൃത പട്ടികയിലുണ്ടായിരുന്ന, കേരള സർവകലാശാലയുടെ ORI & MSS ലൈബ്രറി പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിച്ചുവരുന്ന 'ജേർണൽ ഓഫ് മനസ്സിപ്പ് സ്റ്റഡീസ്, പ്രാചീന കൈരളി' എന്നീ ഷേർണലുകൾ വീണ്ടും സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകൃത പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുവാനുള്ള നടപടികൾ സ്വീകരിക്കണമെന്ന് മലയാളം (പി ജി) ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസ് അധ്യക്ഷയുടെ അപേക്ഷയും ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നു .

5.10.2024-നും ചേർന്ന മലയാളം (പി ജി) ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസ് യോഗം, ORI & MSS ലൈബ്രറിയുടെ പിയർ റിവ്യൂ ഷേർണലുകളായ പ്രാചീന കൈരളി , Journal of Manuscripts Studies, തിരുവനന്തപുരം സർക്കാർ വനിതാ കോളേജിൽ നിന്നിറങ്ങുന്ന 'വൈജ്ഞാനിക മലയാളം', എന്നീ ഷേർണലുകൾ സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകൃത ഷേർണലുകളുടെ പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുവാൻ ശുപാർശ ചെയ്യുകയും അത് ഫാക്കൽറ്റി ഓഫ് ഓറിയന്റൽ സ്റ്റഡീസ് ഡീൻ സാക്ഷ്യപ്പെടുത്തുകയും ചെയ്യുകയുണ്ടായി .

ബഹു. വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം, GCW വൈജ്ഞാനിക മലയാളം എന്ന ഓൺലൈൻ പ്രസിദ്ധീകരണം അംഗീകൃത ഷേർണലുകളുടെ പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്ന വിഷയം സിന്റിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ ഉപസമിതിയായ അക്കാദമിക് ആൻഡ് റിസർച്ച് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ 9.12.2024-നും നടന്ന യോഗത്തിൽ മുൻപാകെ സമർപ്പിക്കുകയും , പ്രസ്തുത വിഷയം അക്കാദമിക് കൗൺസിലിൽ സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ കമ്മിറ്റി ശുപാർശ ചെയ്യുകയും, പ്രസ്തുത നിർദ്ദേശം 23.12.2024-നും നടന്ന സർവകലാശാലാ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് യോഗം ഐറ്റം നമ്പർ-16.62.D39 പ്രകാരം അംഗീകരിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ട് .

കൂടാതെ പ്രാചീന കൈരളി , Journal of Manuscripts Studies എന്നിവ അംഗീകൃത പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്ന വിഷയവും ബഹു. വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവിൻ പ്രകാരം സിന്റിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ ഉപസമിതി ആയ അക്കാദമിക് ആൻഡ് റിസർച്ച് സമിതിയുടെ 9.12.2024-നും നടന്ന യോഗത്തിൽ സമർപ്പിക്കുകയും , വിഷയം മലയാളം ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസിന്റെ ശുപാർശയോടുകൂടി അക്കാദമിക് കൗൺസിലിൽ സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ കമ്മിറ്റി ശുപാർശ ചെയ്യുകയും ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നു . പ്രസ്തുത നിർദ്ദേശം 23.12.2024-നും നടന്ന സർവകലാശാലാ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് യോഗം (ഐറ്റം നമ്പർ-16.62.D10) പ്രകാരം അംഗീകരിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുകയുണ്ടായി .

5.10.2024-നും ചേർന്ന മലയാളം (പി ജി) ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസ് യോഗത്തിന്റെ ശുപാർശയും സൂചന (2) പ്രകാരമുള്ള മലയാളം (പി ജി) ബോർഡ് ഓഫ് സ്റ്റഡീസ് അധ്യക്ഷയുടെ അപേക്ഷയും സർവകലാശാലാ സിന്റിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ തീരുമാനങ്ങളും പരിഗണിച്ചുകൊണ്ട്, ബഹു വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവനുസരിച്ച്, തിരുവനന്തപുരം സർക്കാർ വനിതാ കോളേജിന്റെ മലയാള വിഭാഗം പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിക്കുന്ന ' GCW വൈജ്ഞാനിക മലയാളം' എന്ന പിയർ റിവ്യൂ ഓൺലൈൻ മാഗസിൻ , ORI & MSS ലൈബ്രറി പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിച്ചുവരുന്ന

'ജേർണൽ ഓഫ് മനുസ്ക്രിപ്റ്റ് സ്റ്റഡീസ്', പ്രാചീന കൈരളി ' എന്നീ ജേർണലുകൾ സർവകലാശാലയുടെ അംഗീകൃത പട്ടികയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്ന വിഷയം അക്കാഡമിക് കൗൺസിലിന്റെ പരിഗണനയായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു .

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that the peer reviewed online magazine 'GCW വൈജ്ഞാനികമലയാളം' published by Department of Malayalam, Government College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram be included in the University approved list of standard Journals and the journals 'ജേർണൽ ഓഫ് മനുസ്ക്രിപ്റ്റ് സ്റ്റഡീസ്, പ്രാചീനകൈരളി' published by ORI & MSS Library be reinstated in the University approved list of standard Journals.

10. Clarifications in the syllabus of MCA w.e.f 2024 admission onwards. (Ac.A IV)

The Examination wing has sought clarifications on the Syllabus of the two year MCA Programme in Learning Outcomes - based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) revised with effect from 2024 admission onwards. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science (PG) has clarified as detailed below:

1. Display of marks and grades in mark lists.

As per the 2020 scheme, only marks are displayed in the mark lists and display.

2. GPA/CGPA calculation

i) Grade point average is the semester wise average points obtained by the student in a 10-point scale. GPA for a particular semester is calculated as shown below:

$$GPA = \frac{\sum \text{Credit} \times \text{GP obtained for the subject}}{\sum \text{Credit for subject}}$$

ii) Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is the average grade points obtained by the student till the end of any particular semester. CGPA is calculated in a 10-point scale as shown below.

$$CGPA = \frac{\sum \text{Credits for semester} \times \text{GPA obtained for the semester}}{\sum \text{Credits for the semester}}$$

iii) GPA and CGPA shall be rounded to two decimal points.

iv) The Grade card issued to the students shall contain subject number and subject name, credits for the subject, absolute marks and letter grades obtained, and GPA for the semester.

v) For all successful candidates, in the Grade card of IV semester, in addition to the grade for the semester, the consolidated grade statement for lower semesters and CGPA shall be provided.

3. Marks Range

It is the same as the 2020 scheme, the total marks for a subject is out of 150 (100 ESE + 50 CA). The marks range means percentage of marks. Convert 150 to 100 for getting grades.

4. Maximum marks for Continuous Assessment (CA)

CA:50 marks, ESA:100 Marks. There is no change in the evaluation process in Bridge courses (CA:50, ESA:50).

5. Maximum marks for Practical examinations and Dissertation

There is no change in the maximum mark of the new scheme. For practical papers, CA:50 marks, ESA:100 Marks, Dissertation (CA:50, ESA:150), Course Viva (ESA:50)

6. Semester wise and overall maximum marks

There is no change in the previous syllabus, but new syllabus is in LOCF. The entire structure is detailed below:

Semester	Course Code	Name of the Course	Credits	CA	ESA	Total
I	Core Courses(CC)					
	MCA-CC-511	Mathematical Foundations for Computing	4	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-512	Data Structures in Java	3	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-513	Web Programming	3	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-514	Advanced Operating System	3	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-515	Software Engineering	3	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-516	Data structures laboratory	2	50	100	150
	MCA-CC-517	Web Technology laboratory	2	50	100	150

	Skill Enhancement course(SE)						
	MCA-SE-4B1	Professional Development	2				
	MCA-SE-4B2	MOOC					
II	Core Courses(CC)						
	MCA-CC-521	Algorithm Analysis and Design	4	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-522	Machine learning	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-523	DBMS	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-524	Python Programming	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-525	Elective 1	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-526	DBMS laboratory	2	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-527	Machine learning laboratory	2	50	100	150	
	Discipline specific Electives(DE)						
	MCA-DE-525(i)	Software Testing	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-525(ii)	Blockchain Technology	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-525(iii)	Bioinformatics	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-525(iv)	Social Network Analysis	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-525(v)	Theory of Computation	3	50	100	150	
	Skill Enhancement Course(SE)						
		MCA-SE-4B3	IT Act	2			
		MCA-SE-4B4	Industry Internship	2			
III	Core Courses(CC)						
	MCA-CC-531	Advanced Computer Networks	4	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-532	Smart Application development	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-533	Bigdata analytics	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-534	Elective 2	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-535	Elective 3	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-536	Mini Project	2	50	100	150	
	MCA-CC-537	Application development laboratory	2	50	100	150	
	Discipline Specific Electives(DE)						
	MCA-DE-535(i)	Cyber Security and Cyber Law	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-535(ii)	Internet of things	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-535(iii)	Cloud Computing	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-535(iv)	Management Information System	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-535(v)	Cryptography and Network Security	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-536(i)	Digital Marketing	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-536(ii)	Deep Architectures	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-536(iii)	Software Project Management	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-536(iv)	Functional Programming	3	50	100	150	
	MCA-DE-536(v)	Wireless Sensor Networks	3	50	100	150	
	Skill Enhancement Course(SE)						
		MCA-SE-4B5	Case Study	2			
	MCA-SE-4B6	MOOC	2				
IV	Core Courses(CC)						
	MCA-CC-541	Dissertation work	12	50	150	200	
	MCA-CC-542	Comprehensive Course Viva	6		50	50	

Semester Total

Semester	1	2	3	4	Total
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Credits	20	20	20	18	78
CA Marks	350	350	350	50	1100
ESA Marks	700	700	700	200	2300
Total Marks	1050	1050	1050	250	3400

7. Classification of Pass results

Criteria for the classification of pass results (eg. Distinction, First class, Second class)) is not required since, this is a graded system and cannot be required to provide such classes.

8. Subjects with only sessional marks

There are no such courses in the new syllabus . The Skill enhancement courses in each semester are converted into Pass/Fail criteria. If a student fails those courses, she/he should repeat that semester. These courses are considered as internals. The courses are Professional Development, MOOC, IT Act, Industry Internship, Case Study.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science(PG).

The Vice-Chancellor approved the above recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science(PG) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, subject to reporting to Academic Council.

As such University Order No.10905/2024/UOK dated 18 .12.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having approved the recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science(PG) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology and subsequent issue of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

11. Scheme and Syllabi of Career-related First Degree Programme in English and Communicative English under CBCS system revised wef 2022 admissions – Rectification in the credits and hours - effected - reporting of - reg.(Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career-related First Degree Programme in English and Communicative English 2(a) under CBCS system was revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide U.O No. 4734/2022/UOK dated 18.06.2022.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) recommended to rectify the mistakes regarding the allotment of credits and hours in the syllabus of English and Communicative English revised w.e.f 2022 admissions in accordance with the Regulations relating to the First Degree Programmes. The Dean, Faculty of Arts, endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in English (UG). The revised course structure is given below,

Semester	Course Code	Course Name	Instructional Hours	Credits
I	EN 1111.3	Language Course I- Language Skills	5	3
I		Additional Language	5	3
I	CG 1121.3	Foundation Course	3	2
I	CG 1141	Core I:Introduction to Literary Studies	4	3
I	CG 1171	Vocational Course I: Soft Skills	4	4
I	CG 1131	ComplementaryCourseI:EnglishforSpecific Purposes	4	4
II	EN 1211.3	LanguageCourseIII-EnglishGrammar, Usage and Writing	5	3
II		Additional Language	5	3
II	CG 1241	Core II: British Literature I	4	2

II	CG 1242	Core III: Narratives of Resistance	3	2
II	CG 1271	Vocational Course II: Narratives of Social Justice and Restitution	4	3
II	CG 1231	Complementary Course II: Language for the Media	4	4
III	EN 1311.3	Language Course V- English for Career	5	3
III	CG 1321	Foundation Course II: Evolution of the English Language	4	3
III	CG 1341	Core IV: British Literature II	4	4
III	CG 1342	Core V: Popular Literature	4	3
III	CG 1371	Vocational Course III: Translation Studies	4	4
III	CG 1331	Complementary Course III :Environmental Studies and Disaster Management	4	4
IV	EN 1411.3	Language Course VI: Readings in Literature	5	3
IV	CG 1441	Core VI: 20th Century World Literature	4	3
IV	CG 1442	Core VII: Twentieth Century Malayalam Literature in Translation	4	3
IV	CG 1471	Vocational Course IV: Language Editing and Publishing	4	4
IV	CG 1472	Vocational Course V: Content Writing	4	4
IV	CG 1431	Complementary Course IV: Literatures of Travel and Tourism	4	4
V	CG 1541	Core VIII: Film Studies	4	3
V	CG 1542	Core IX: Indian Literature	4	3
V	CG 1543	Core X: Criticism and Theory	5	4
V	CG 1571	Vocational Course VI: Theatre Studies	3	3
V	CG 1572	Vocational Course VII: English Language Teaching	3	3
V	CG 1573	Vocational Course VIII: Language for Advertising and Marketing	3	3
V	CG 1551.1	Open Course English for Communication	3	2
	CG 1551.2	Film Appreciation		
VI	CG 1641	Core XI: Gender Studies	5	4
VI	CG 1642	Core XII: Linguistics and Structure of English Language	5	4
VI	CG 1671	Vocational Course IX: Screen Writing and Subtitling	4	3
VI	CG 1672	Vocational Course X: Public Relations and Corporate Communication	4	4
VI	CG 1661.1	Industry Based Electives Proof Reading and Copy Editing	4	2

	CG 1661.2 CG 1661.3	Professional Communication Practice Academic Writing		
VI	CG 1643	Project	3	4
		Total Hours and Credits	150	120

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the above corrections in the syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in English and Communicative English under CBCS system w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of studies in English (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. UO No. 7932/2024/UOK dated 11.09.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

12. Scheme and Syllabi of First Degree Programme in Philosophy under CBCS system revised wef 2022 admissions - correction in Course Title and Credits - effected – Reporting of -reg. (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabi of First Degree Programme in Philosophy under CBCS system was revised wef 2022 admissions vide UO No. 8268/2022/UOK dated 17.10.2022.

A discrepancy was noted in the Course Code and Course Title of the Open course in the Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Philosophy under CBCS system.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Philosophy (UG) recommended to change the Course code of the Open course, "Philosophy of Art and Beauty" in the course index as PL 1551.2 and also recommended to correct the spelling of the title of the Open course **PL 1551.2** as "**Philosophy of Art and Beauty**" in the detailed syllabus. The Dean, Faculty of Arts, has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Philosophy (UG).

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting the above corrections in the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Program in Philosophy under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman Board of Studies in Philosophy (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. UO No.10253/2024/UOK dated 27.11.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

13. M.Com Rural Management programme offered at Kerala University Study and Research Centre (KUSRC), Alappuzha- eligible qualification for employment purpose and higher education wherever M.Com is the prescribed qualification – Reporting of-reg. (Ac.A IV)

The meeting held to evaluate the progress of the developmental activities of the Kerala University Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha, to entrust the Dean, Faculty of Commerce, to submit a detailed proposal for obtaining equivalency for the course M.Com Rural Management offered at KUSRC, Alappuzha, an extension of the Department of Commerce, Kariavattom, as an eligible qualification for employment purpose.

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce remarked that, The M.Com Rural Management offered at Kerala University Study and Research Centre (KUSRC), Alappuzha, is similar to the other M Com programmes of the University and the University teaching Department. The eligibility conditions are similar to other M Com programmes. The basic difference is on its specialized area with courses on Rural Management. The courses in finance, Accounting, and other general areas are common with this programme as in all other M Com programmes.

Considering Similarity with other University M Com programmes, in eligibility conditions, common general courses, Common Course structure and duration and regulations, M Com Rural Management may certainly be considered as an eligible qualification for employment and higher Studies, wherever M Com of the University is the prescribed qualification.

The Vice Chancellor has approved the above remarks of the Dean and U O No.9231/2024/UOK dtd 25/10/2024 has been issued in this regard. The matter is reported to Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

14. MSc Applied Aquaculture Degree Programme equivalent to M Sc Aquatic Biology and Fisheries programme-both programmes offered by the Department of Aquatic Biology and Fisheries, University of Kerala-approved-orders issued- reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Board of Studies in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries at its additional meeting held on 28.06.2024 considered the matter of equating M Sc Applied Aquaculture programme and M Sc Aquatic Biology and Fisheries programme of the University of Kerala and recommended that equivalency may be granted for both programmes offered by the Department of Aquatic Biology and Fisheries, University of Kerala. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries who is also the Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the same.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to grant equivalency for M Sc Applied Aquaculture programme to the M Sc Aquatic Biology and Fisheries programme, both programmes offered by the Department of Aquatic Biology and Fisheries. UO NO. Ac A II/6345/2024/UOK dated 26.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

15. Correction in the syllabus of Differential Geometry of III semester and Spectral Graph Theory of IV semester M Sc Mathematics revised and implemented wef 2023 admissions-reg. (Ac.AII)

Ref:-1) Item No.1 of the Minutes of the annual meeting of the BoS in Mathematics (PG) held on 17.12.2024.

2)Mail dated 30.12.2024 from the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG)

The annual meeting of the Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG) held on 17.12.2024 vide item no.1, recommended that **"There is a compilation error in the course Differential Geometry (3rd Semester) and Spectral Graph Theory (Elective 4, 4th Semester) was identified by the board and Dr.Shine Lal E is nominated to do the corrections and the Chairman, Board of Studies entrusted to forward the corrected syllabus after verification."** The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG), vide reference (2), submitted the corrected syllabus of Differential Geometry MM 234 elective and Spectral Graph theory MM 544.elective of III and IV semester M Sc Mathematics. (Copy of the syllabus appended).. It has been noted that the course code of elective paper as per the scheme and syllabus of M Sc Mathematics were as follows.

III semester elective 534.3 Differential Geometry

IV semester 544.2 Spectral Graph Theory.

The request of the Chairperson, BoS in Mathematics (PG) with the correction in course code was forwarded to the Dean, Faculty of Science for endorsement.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG) to correct the syllabus of MM 534.3 Differential Geometry (elective) of III semester and MM 544.2 Spectral Graph theory (elective) of IV semester in the scheme and syllabus of M Sc Mathematics revised and implemented wef 2023 admissions. (Copy of the corrected syllabus of Differential Geometry and Spectral Graph Theory are appended).

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the correction in syllabus of **MM 534.3Differential Geometry** (elective) of III semester and **MM 544.2 Spectral Graph theory** (elective) of IV semester

in the scheme and syllabus of M Sc Mathematics revised and implemented wef 2023 admissions is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the correction in syllabus of MM 534.3 Differential Geometry (elective) of III semester and MM 544.2 Spectral Graph theory (elective) of IV semester in the scheme and syllabus of M Sc Mathematics revised and implemented wef 2023 admissions.

16. Equivalency of B Sc Physics with Computer Application (Restructured) to B Sc Physics-reg. (Ac.AV)

A graduate in B Sc Physics with Computer Application (Restructured course) has requested to issue equivalency certificate stating that the B Sc Degree in Physics with Computer Application (Restructured course) is equivalent to B Sc Physics. The candidate had studied the course during 2009-12. Since equivalency was not granted for the same, the matter was forwarded to the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Physics (Pass).

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Physics (Pass) after reviewing the syllabus of both courses remarked that the syllabus of B Sc Physics with Computer Application (Restructured) of University of Kerala is 75 % equivalent to B Sc Physics of University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the above recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Physics (Pass).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of equivalency of B Sc Physics with Computer Application (Restructured) to B Sc Physics, for higher studies and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration .

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant equivalency for B Sc Physics with Computer Application (Restructured) to B Sc Physics, for higher studies and employment.

17. Scheme and Syllabus of Additional Language Course in Latin under CBCS System revised with effect from 2022 admissions - Correction in the credits – effected - reporting of –reg (CBCS BA IV)

The Scheme and Syllabus of Additional Language Course in Latin under CBCS System has been revised with effect from 2022 admissions, vide UO No. 5956/2022/UOK dated 30.07.2022.

A discrepancy was noted in the total credits of the Language courses in Latin for First Degree Programmes (BA/B.Sc) under CBCS System in the Syllabus. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in French & Latin, recommended to correct the credits of LT 1311.1 (Literature in Latin) and LT 1411.1 (Culture and Civilization in Latin) from 3 to 4.

The Dean, Faculty of Arts has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in French & Latin.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the above corrections in the syllabus of Additional Language courses in Latin for First Degree Programmes (BA/B.Sc) under CBCS System, revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in French & Latin and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. Accordingly U.O has been issued in this regard vide U.O No.6947/2024/UOK dated 13.08.2024.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

18. Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology-2018 scheme-clarification regarding ESE minimum- Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AIV)

The Regulations, Scheme and Syllabus of Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) Degree programme was revised w.e.f. 2018 admission and clarification on ESE minimum, CE minimum, subject minimum and SCPA been issued vide U.O.No.AcAIV/3/BHMCT/2021 dated 20.06.2022.

The tabulation section has reported that the ESE minimum similar as that of other UG professional programmes as stipulated in the U.O.No.Ac AIV/3/BHMCT/2021 dated 20.06.2022 , has not been included in the software for 2018 admission onwards and only 40% for SCPA was included as per the BHMCT regulation w.e.f 2018 admission. It has therefore been proposed that the stipulation of the condition for pass of BHMCT course (ie 40% SCPA) may be continued upto 2022 admission batch and the ESE minimum similar as that of other UG professional programmes stipulated in the U.O.No.Ac AIV/3/BHMCT/2021 dated 20.06.2022 may be made applicable w.e.f 2023 admission.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) recommended to continue the stipulation of the condition for pass of the BHMCT programme upto 2022 admission batch and to consider End Semester Examination minimum as that of the UG professional programme in the U.O.No.Ac AIV/3/BHMCT/2021 dated 20.06.2022 , to be made applicable to BHMCT programme w.e.f 2023 admission. From that batch onwards, the pass mark requirement of 35% can be fixed for ESE. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the above remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (pass).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to the 'ESE minimum' similar to that of other UG professional programme being made applicable to BHMCT programme w.e.f 2023 admission and to fix a pass mark requirement of 35% for ESE from 2023 admission batch onwards.

U.O.No.Ac.AIV/1/BHMCT/2024 dated 27.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

19. Inclusion of two programmes B.Voc Food Processing and Management and B.Voc Food Processing under the Board of Studies in Food Technology- Faculty of Science -w.e.f 2020 admission onwards- reporting of – reg. (Ac.AIV)

The Scheme and Syllabus of B.Voc Food Processing and Management w.e.f 2019 admissions was approved vide U.O.No.AcAIV/2/48619/IV.A.1/2019 dated 06/05/2019 and the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Voc Food Processing w.e.f 2019 admissions was approved vide U.O.No.Ac AII/1/61/2019 dated 18/11/2019. The Scheme and Syllabus of B.Voc Food Processing and Management was approved by the Board of Studies in Home Science which comes under the Faculty of Science and the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Voc Food Processing has been approved by the Board of Studies in Management which comes under the Faculty of Management.

The Annual meeting of the Board of Studies in Food Technology considered the matter to bring in uniformity in the syllabus, so as to bring it under the Faculty of Science. The Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 considered the matter as item no.II V and approved the recommendation of the Board of Studies in Food Technology.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Food Technology further recommended to bring the change w.e.f 2020 admission. The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in food Technology.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic council to include the two programmes B.Voc Food Processing and Management and B.Voc Food Processing in the Board of Studies in Food Technology under the Faculty of Science w.e.f 2020 admission onwards.

U.O.No.Ac.AIV/1/B.Voc/2024 dated 11.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

20. Recognition of M.A. Degree in English (Regular) awarded by ST Joseph's University, Bengaluru (A Private University)-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: - Application submitted by Mr. Cyril George dated: 29.01.2025

Ms/Mr. Cyril George submitted an application for recognition of M.A. Degree in English (Regular) awarded by ST Joseph's University, Bengaluru (A Private University) for the purpose of getting it equivalent to M.A Degree in English Language and Literature for higher education and employment.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. He/She passed B.A. Degree in English Language and Literature from this University. She/He has submitted the scheme and syllabus of the course duly attested by the Registrar of the ST Joseph's University, Bengaluru.

The Chairperson BoS in English (P.G) who is also the Dean, Faculty of Arts has recommended eligibility for higher education and employment. She has endorsed this recommendation in her capacity as Dean, Faculty of Arts.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of the M.A. Degree in English (Regular) awarded by ST Joseph's University, Bengaluru (A Private University) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment is placed in the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.A. Degree in English (Regular) awarded by ST Joseph's University, Bengaluru (A Private University) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

21. Recognition of B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by University of Madras through Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous)-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Ms. Jeyashree B dated: 03.07.2024

Ms/Mr Ms. Jeyashree B submitted an application for recognition of B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by University of Madras through Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) for higher education (M.Sc. Zoology and B.Ed.Natural Science) and employment.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. She/He has submitted the scheme and syllabus of the course duly attested by the Principal of the College. The college is accredited by NAAC with 'A' grade.

The Chairperson BoS in Zoology (Pass) has remarked that the syllabus and scheme of the B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by University of Madras has more than 80% similarity to the B.Sc Zoology of the University of Kerala and he has recommended that B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology can be granted recognition as equivalent to the B.Sc. Degree in Zoology of the University of Kerala.

The file was then forwarded to Chairperson BoS in Botany (Pass) for verifying the Botany content of the syllabus in order to ensure the fulfilment of the eligibility criteria for admission to B.Ed. in Natural Science.

The Chairperson BoS in Botany (Pass) remarked that the syllabus of B.Sc. Zoology and Advanced Biotechnology from Madras University, submitted by Ms. Jeyashree B doesn't contain Botany in any of the courses. Hence, she has stated that equivalency or eligibility for doing B.Ed. in Natural Science cannot be recommended.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairpersons of BoS in Zoology (Pass) and that of the Chairperson BoS in Botany (Pass).

The file was forwarded to **Chairperson BoS in Biotechnology (Pass)** also, as suggested by the Chairperson BoS in Education to examine the Biotechnology contents in the syllabus. The

Chairperson BoS in Biotechnology has remarked that the submitted syllabus of B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology of the University of Madras has above 50% similarity to the B.Sc. Biotechnology (multi major) of the University of Kerala. Hence she has recommended higher education in the field of Biotechnology. The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology endorsed this remarks.

Upon receiving the above remarks, **the Chairperson BoS in Education**, on the basis of the remarks offered by the Chairperson BoS in Biotechnology, recommended that that the applicant Ms. Jeyashree B is eligible for doing B.Ed. in Natural Science. (*According to the admission criteria to B.Ed. Natural Sciences of the University of Kerala the following degrees are eligible., : B.Sc. Degree with Botany/Zoology/Biochemistry/ Plant Science/Botany and Biotechnology/Biotechnology (multi major)/Home Science (with Zoology or Botany as subsidiary)*)

The **Dean, Faculty of Education** endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson BoS in Education.

Hence the whole matter regarding recognition of the B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by University of Madras through Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology including higher studies in Biotechnology and B.Ed. Natural Natural Science is placed in the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.Sc. Degree in Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology (Regular) awarded by University of Madras through Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology including higher studies in Biotechnology and B.Ed. Degree in Natural Science.

22. Four Year UG Programmes implemented with effect from 2024 admission –Revised Syllabus - Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AV(A))

The Scheme and Syllabi for various Four Year UG Programmes implemented with effect from 2024 admission were approved by the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 and UO No. 32912/4/2024/UOK dtd 02.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

The modified Syllabi for the following FYUG Programmes implemented w.e.f 2024 admissions, as recommended by the Board of Studies and as endorsed by the Deans of Faculties concerned, has been approved by the Vice-Chancellor.

SI No.	FYUGP	Details of Revision	UO issued	Board of Studies	Deans of Faculties
1	Malayalam	Revised Syllabus for the courses in Semester II of FYUGP in Malayalam	974/2025/UOK dtd 30.01.2025	Malayalam	Oriental Studies
2	Journalism	MDC course "UK2MDCJMC100: Basics of Videography" offered in Semester II	10992/2024/UO K dtd 19.12.2024	Journalism	Arts
3	FYUG Programmes in English Communicative English	1) Revised Syllabus for the courses in Semester II for FYUGP in English Communicative English 2) Addition of DSC course 'UK2DSCECE106 Sports Narratives and Sporting Cultures' for FYUGP in	10983/2024/UO K dtd 19.12.2024	English	Arts

		Communicative English.			
4	Biotechnology	Incorporated three more courses according to the interdisciplinary pathway as follows: Semester II: UK2DSCBIT113: Biotechnology-Concepts, Innovations and Applications Semester III: UK3DSCBIT206: Cell and Molecular Biology Semester VI: UK6DSCBIT307: plant and Animal Biotechnology	11072/2024/UOK dtd 21.12.2024	Biotechnology	Applied Sciences & Technology
5	Mathematics	Addition of one more course in Semester II UK2DSCMAT111 - Differential and Integral Calculus	218/2025/UOK dtd 08.01.2025	Mathematics	Science
6	Zoology	Revised Syllabus for the courses in Semester II of FYUGP in Zoology	10/2025/UOK dtd 01.01.2025	Zoology	Science
7	Geology	Modified Syllabus for the courses in Semester II of FYUGP in Geology	378/2025/UOK dtd 09.01.2025	Geology	Science
8	Polymer Chemistry	Modified Syllabus with additions in the cognitive levels for the courses in Semester II	1067/2025/UOK dtd 01.02.2025 1067/2025/UOK dtd 01.02.2025	Polymer Chemistry	Science
9	Statistics	Modified course outcomes of the courses in the II Semester	981/2025/UOK dtd 30.01.2025	Statistics	Science
10	Psychology	Modified Syllabus for Semester II, by effecting minor changes in the content of DSC and MDC courses	374/2025/UOK dtd 09.01.2025	Psychology	Science
11	Chemistry	Modified Syllabus for the courses in Semester II and corrected the Cognitive levels for the courses.	1026/2025/UOK dtd 31.01.2025	Chemistry	Science

12	Physics	Incorporated some minor corrections specifically in the course "FOUNDATION COURSE IN PHYSICS-I in Semester I	9828/2024/UOK dated 19.11.2024	Physics	Science
12	Physics	Revised Syllabus with minor corrections for the courses in Semester II of FYUGP in Physics,	1105/2025/UOK dtd 31.01.2025	Physics	Science

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

23. Four Year Under Graduate Programmes in Geography - Fixing of Eligibility Criteria and calculation of Index mark - Approved- reporting of - reg.(Ac.A V (A)

Four Year Under Graduate Programmes (UoK-FYUGP) Curriculum Framework and Regulations, 2024 for the implementation of Four Year Under Graduate Programmes in the Affiliated Colleges/ UIT's from the Academic year 2024-25, have been approved by the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 and UO No. 4271/2024/UOK dated 22.05.2024 was issued accordingly.

The present criteria for admission to the Four Year Under Graduate Degree Programme in Geography is *"A pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University thereto, must have studied either Geography as one of the Optional subjects or any of the following subjects, Mathematics, Geology, Chemistry, Physics, Statistics, Computer Science"*

The present criteria to calculate the index mark for the admission to BSc. Geography is *"Total marks secured for Higher Secondary + 15% of marks obtained for Geography as weightage for those who have studied Geography"*

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Geography vide e-mail dated 15.07.2024, recommended to fix the Eligibility Criteria and method of Index mark calculation for admission of candidates to the FYUGP in Geography as follows:

EligibilityCriteria

"A pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University thereto, must have studied either Geography as one of the Optional subjects or any of the following subjects, Mathematics, Geology, Chemistry, Physics, Statistics, Computer Science.

In the absence of students under the above criteria of eligibility, a pass in Higher Secondary Examination in Humanities without Geography."

Index Mark Calculation

"Total marks secured for Higher Secondary + 30% of marks obtained for Geography as weightage for those who have studied Geography"

The above recommendation was endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science vide e-mail dated 18.07.2024 .

Sanction was, therefore, been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to revise the eligibility criteria and index mark calculation for admission of candidates to FYUGP in Geography, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Geography and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science, from the Academic year 2025-26. UO No.9339/2024/UOK dated 01.11.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

24. Recognition of Bachelor of Arts with (Economics 8 credits,Sociology 24 credits,English 32 credits, Foundation courses 24 credits, Application oriented courses 8 credits) awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi-Consideration of-reg.(Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Ancy Antony dtd. 07/10/2024

Smt. Ancy Antony submitted an application for recognition of Bachelor of Arts with (Economics 8 credits,Sociology 24 credits,English 32 credits, Foundation courses 24 credits, Application oriented courses 8 credits) awarded by Ignou, New Delhi for the purpose of higher studies in English including for doing B.Ed Degree in English and for employment.She has passed recognised 10+2 pattern of study. After this B.A Degree, she has done an M.A Degree in English from IGNOU and B.Ed Degree in English from Tamilnadu teachers Education University and are recognised by this University.

The Chairman BoS in English (Pass) has remarked that the candidate is eligible for higher studies in English and employment. The 32 credits she has acquired in English may be considered as equivalent to Part I English.

The Dean Faculty of Arts has remarked that the application is recommended as per the remarks of the Chairperson BoS in English (Pass).

The Chairman BoS in Education (Pass) has remarked that the applicant satisfy the eligibility conditions for admission to B.Ed Degree in English , since she holds an M.A Degree in English.

The Dean Faculty of Education has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Education (Pass).

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Bachelor of Arts with (Economics 8 credits,Sociology 24 credits,English 32 credits, Foundation courses 24 credits, Application oriented courses 8 credits) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University along with a recognised M.A Degree in English for the purpose of higher studies in English including for doing B.Ed Degree in English and for employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Bachelor of Arts with (Economics 8 credits, Sociology 24 credits, English 32 credits, Foundation courses 24 credits, Application oriented courses 8 credits) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University along with a recognised M.A Degree in English for the purpose of higher studies in English including for doing B.Ed Degree in English and for employment.

25. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate to M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University with B.Sc Degree in Microbiology as the qualifying degree - non satisfaction of admission criteria-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Shri. Santhosh Vincent submitted an application for issuance of Eligibility Certificate to M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University after having passed B.Sc Degree in Microbiology from ManonmaniamSundaranar University, Tirunelveli. He has also passed M.Sc Degree in Biotechnology from ManonmaniamSundaranar University, Tirunelveli prior to this PG Degree in Zoology and is recognised as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Biotechnology of this University.

Even though the M.Sc Degree in Zoology acquired by the applicant from Alagappa University is recognised by this University as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Zoology of this University, the qualifying degree acquired by the applicant ie. B.Sc Degree in Microbiology had not been included in the list of qualifying degrees for admission to M.Sc Degree in Zoology of this University. The list of qualifying degrees of M.Sc Zoology of this University as detailed below.

B.Sc. with Zoology as Core Course with not less than 5.5 CCPA(S) * out of 10/ B.Sc. Industrial Fish and Fisheries (Vocational)/ B.Sc. Biological Techniques and Specimen Preparation (Vocational)/B.Sc.Clinical Nutrition and Dietetics (If Zoology is one of the Core Course)/ B.Sc. Industrial Microbiology (Vocational)(If Zoology is one of the Core Course)/B.Sc. Biotechnology (Vocational) (If Zoology is one of the Core Course).

The Chairman BoS in Zoology (pass) has reviewed the application in detail and it was remarked that though the candidate has not acquired the qualifying degree for admission to M.Sc Zoology as

per the admission criteria followed by the University of Kerala, the candidate has studied and passed the various courses (Papers) of M.Sc Zoology through Regular Stream. These courses (Papers) are also included in the M.Sc Zoology syllabus of University of Kerala. Each University has its own criteria and autonomy for fixing the qualifying degree for a particular PG course offered in its curriculum. Hence, it is needed to respect and recognise the academic autonomy of each and every Universities in India recognised by UGC. So, it was recommended to issue Eligibility Certificate to M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University, if the Chairman of the BoS in Zoology (PG) and the Dean Faculty of Science, University of Kerala are giving their remarks positively.

The Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG) has remarked that, the applicant has passed M.Sc Zoology from Alagappa University and his graduation is in Microbiology, which is a branch of Life Science. As per the attached mark list, the courses covered in the PG Zoology is very similar with the course of M.Sc Zoology of University of Kerala and hence Eligibility may be issued to the candidate.

The Dean Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG) that the eligibility may be issued.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the issuance of Eligibility Certificate to M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University after having passed a recognised B.Sc Degree in Microbiology and without satisfaction of the admission criteria followed by this University for M.Sc Zoology is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to issue Eligibility Certificate to M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University after having passed a recognised B.Sc Degree in Microbiology and without satisfaction of the admission criteria followed by this University for M.Sc Zoology.

**26. Recognition of M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore for the purpose of equating it with M.Sc Degree in Geology of this University
Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref: Application submitted by Ms. Olin B Jose dtd 18/01/2025

Ms. Olin B Jose submitted an application for recognition of M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore for the purpose of equating it with M.Sc. Degree in Geology of this University for obtaining SET Certificate from LBS Centre. The applicant has passed 10+2 pattern of study and are recognised by this University. Later she passed B.Sc Degree in Geology from the University of Kerala. The applicant has submitted the detailed scheme and syllabus of the M.Sc Degree duly attested by the Chairman Department of Earth Science, University of Mysore.

It is to be noted that the M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore has already been recognised by this University for higher studies and employment.

The Chairman BoS in Geology (PG) has remarked that the syllabus of M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore submitted by the candidate, duly approved by the Chairman BoS of Mysore University, has more than 85% similarity with M.Sc Geology syllabus of University of Kerala. Therefore, equivalency with M.Sc Geology may be given.

The Dean Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Geology (PG).

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Geology of this University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize M.Sc Degree in Applied Geology (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Geology of this University.

27. Unitary Degree Course in Law and Unitary Degree Course in Law (Evening) –Issuance of Equivalency/One and the Same Certificate –Consideration of- Reg. (Ac.AIII)

The Board of Studies in Law (Pass) at its annual meeting for the academic year 2023-24 held on 15.04.2024 vide item no. IV-B-7 & IV-B-13 considered the representations for Equivalency & One and Same certificate between Unitary Degree Course in Law under the code 474 & Unitary Degree in Law (Evening) under the code 472 and recommended as follows:

IV-B-7 - The Scheme, Syllabus & Academic Curriculum of both the courses are the same except timing of conducting the courses. The BoS unanimously recommended to issue an appropriate certificate for the best advantage of the students.

IV-B-13 - The Board considered the Letter dtd: 03/04/24 from the Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram, as additional agenda Item No. 13. As per the letter, it is learnt that Kerala Law Academy Law College is conducting Five batches of Three year Unitary LL.B Degree Course wherein Three batches as regular course (code – 474) & Two batches as evening course (code – 472). The Board found that Regulations, Scheme, Pass Criteria, Publication of results & Ranking for both the batches are same. The Board unanimously resolved to recommend that the University may issue appropriate certificate for the benefit of students.

The Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 30.04.2024 approved the said recommendations of the BoS in Law (Pass) and the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 approved the Minutes of the Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law.

Meanwhile as per the Circular Dated: 20.05.2024 received from the Bar Council of India, Para 10 regarding 'General Timing for conduct of classes/courses by CLEs', it is stipulated that LL.B Three year/Five year is a regular course and there is no concept of evening classes. Central of Legal Education can run law courses only in accordance to Rule-2(xxiii) of Rules of Legal Education, 2008, which states that a course should run for at least five hours a day continuously with an additional half an hour recess every day and should have less than thirty hours of working schedule per week. As per Clause-5 of Schedule-III of the Rules of Legal Education, classes can be conducted only between 8 am to 7 pm in an institution, which is not fully residential. However, the Library may remain open till 10 pm. Also stipulated that approval of affiliation of any Center of Legal Education may be revoked with immediate effect without giving notice, if the CLE is found violating the above Rules.

For the clarification sought from the Dean, Faculty of Law, regarding whether Equivalency certificate be issued or One and the Same certificate be issued or both be issued, the Dean, Faculty of Law directed to place the matter in the next meeting of the BoS in Law (Pass) for consideration.

The Special meeting of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 10.07.2024 vide item no. IV-A-5 considered the matter and the members failed to reach a consensus. The opinion of the members are as follows:

Opinion of Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dr. Money Veena V R, Dr. Hameema M

The Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College in his letter dated 03.04.2024 has admitted that they are conducting five batches of Three Year Unitary LLB Degree Courses wherein 3 batches as Regular Course(Code 474) and 2 batches as Evening Course(Code 472).

The Statutory body entitled by Law to recognize LLB Degree is Bar Council of India. The BCI in the Circular BCI:D:468/2024/Gr-006/2024(LE) dated 20.05.2024, Para 10 stipulates that there is no concept of Evening classes. In the light of the above circular, we are not in a position to issue Equivalency/ one and the same certificate to the students of Evening Courses.

If the Principal, Kerala Law Academy produces Certificate of Recognition from BCI and University of Kerala for conducting evening courses, we have no objection in issuing one and the same/equivalency certificate.

Opinion of Dr. Ajitha Nair L, Sri.Viji S

The University Regulations for both the courses is one and same. Until and unless separate regulations and separate rules are made for both the courses, both the courses can only be considered as one and same.

Moreover the scheme and syllabus, mode and conduct of examinations including awarding marks and ranks are one and the same.

Hence, we are of the opinion that both the courses are one and same. ***By a 3:2 majority, the Board decided not to issue Equivalency/ One and the Same Certificate.***

The Special meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 23.07.2024 considered the recommendation of the Board. Likewise the Board, the Faculty also did not reached a consensus in the matter. The opinion of the members are as follows:

Opinion of Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dr. Money Veena V R, Dr. Hameema M, Dr. Meenakumary S & Smt. Saleena U

Endorsing the majority opinion of BOS regarding item IV-A-5. The matter may be placed before Syndicate in the light of circular dated: 20.05.2024 of BCI and the decisions of Supreme Court of India, if any regarding conduct of evening batch of LL.B.

Opinion of Dr. Rakendu C K

The University Regulations for both the courses is one and the same. Until and unless separate regulations and separate rules are made for both the courses, both the courses are considered as one and the same.

Since the word 'evening' is inserted by the Syndicate, Syndicate can decide to give the equivalency certificate.

Opinion of Sri. Safi Mohan M R

On IV-A-5 issue, I would like to support Dr. Ajitha Nair L and Sri. Viji S opinions. I consider their opinion are more relevant and logical.

Opinion of Sri. Anil Kumar G

I second the opinion of Dr. Ajitha Nair L & Sri. Viji S that both the courses are One and Same.

The members of the Faculty by a 5:3 majority decided not to issue Equivalence/One and the Same certificate, and the Dean recommended to place the matter before the Syndicate for appropriate decision.

The Academic Council held on 11.11.2024 vide item no II (01) considered the minutes of the special meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 23.07.2024 and resolved that the recommendations of Faculty of Law on item no. IV-A-1 be noted and the recommendations from item No.s IV-A-2 to IV-A-4 as contained in the minutes be approved. Further resolved to defer Item No. IV-A-5 (Said item) to the next meeting of the Academic Council.

In adherence to the resolution of the Academic Council, the matter of issuing Equivalency & One and the Same certificate between Unitary Degree Course in Law under the code 474 & Unitary Degree in Law (Evening) under the code 472, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

**28. Recognition of Acharya (M.A Sanskrit) Degree in Siddhanta Jyotisha (Regular) awarded by National Sanskrit University, Tirupati-Consideration of-reg.(Ac.C)
Ref:Application received from Sri.Angad.P.S dated 27.07.2023**

Sri.Angad.P.S had submitted the scheme and syllabus of Acharya (M.A Sanskrit) Degree in Siddhanta Jyotisha (Regular) awarded by National Sanskrit University, Tirupati for Course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Sanskrit. He had completed SSLC, Prak Sastri-Intermediate (Distance). He obtained Sastri (B.A) Degree in Phalitha Jyotisha Sastra from Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha (Deemed) which is recognised by the University of Kerala as equivalent to B.A Degree in Sanskrit (Jyothisha)) of this University (vide U.O 5552/2024/UOK).

The Chairman, BoS in Sanskrit (PG) has directed to conduct a Board meeting to compare the syllabus of Acharya (MA) in Siddhanta Jyotisha awarded by National Sanskrit University, Tirupati . Accordingly, the file was placed before the BoS in Sanskrit (PG) at its additional meeting held on 14.10.2024 to cross verify the syllabus of PG programme in Sanskrit-Jyothisha and Acharya course of other Universities, for the purpose of issuing eligibility, and the Board recommended to handover the Syllabus of Acharya(MA) Sanskrit Degree in Siddhanta Jyothisha (Regular) to the Dept. of Jyothisha,

Govt. Sanskrit College, Thiruvananthapuram, for a detailed cross verification and accordingly, a letter was forwarded to the Head of the Department, Dept. of Jyotisha, Govt. Sanskrit College, Thiruvananthapuram, along with the syllabus. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG) has forwarded the remarks in the proforma. Both the Chairperson BoS in Sanskrit (PG) and Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies have marked equivalency in the proforma.

She had also remarked that the Acharya (MA) in Siddhanta Jyotisha considered as equivalent to the PG Sanskrit Special Jyotisha of University of Kerala vide mail dated 22.01.2025.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Sanskrit (PG) vide mail dated 22.01.2025.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Acharya (M.A Sanskrit) Degree in Siddhanta Jyotisha (Regular) awarded by National Sanskrit University, Tirupati as equivalent to the M.A Sanskrit (Special Jyotisha) of the University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Acharya (M.A Sanskrit) Degree in Siddhanta Jyotisha (Regular) awarded by National Sanskrit University, Tirupati as equivalent to the M.A Sanskrit (Special Jyotisha) of the University of Kerala.

29. Recognition of B.Ed Degree in Mathematics and Physics (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, Bengaluru-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application received from Smt.Arya Rajesh dated 27.11.2024

Smt.Arya Rajesh had submitted the scheme and syllabus of B.Ed Degree in Mathematics and Physics (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, Bengaluru for the purpose of equating it with B.Ed Degree in Physical Science of this University. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. She obtained B.Sc Degree in Physics from Mahatma Gandhi University which is also recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Education (Pass) has remarked that the B.Ed Degree in Mathematics and Physics (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, Bengaluru can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Education (Pass).

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Ed Degree in Mathematics and Physics (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, Bengaluru as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.Ed Degree in Mathematics and Physics (Regular) awarded by Bangalore University, Bengaluru as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification.

30. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate of Ph.D Degree in Education awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application received from Smt.Lalamani.P dated 28.11.2024

Smt.Lalamani.P had applied for the Eligibility Certificate of Ph.D Degree in Education awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. She obtained B.Sc Degree in Chemistry from University of Calicut which is recognised by the University of Kerala. He had passed B.Ed in Physical Science from University of Kerala. She had completed M.Sc Chemistry, M.Ed from University of Calicut which are recognised by the University of Kerala.

It may be noted that the candidate has not produced any document certifying that her Ph.D Degree is in accordance with the UGC Regulations (ie; UGC Compliance Certificate).

Instead of submitting the UGC Compliance Certificate, the candidate had submitted a certificate from Mahatma Gandhi University stating that, Dr. Lalamani P had been registered for research in Education at School of Pedagogical Sciences under the Faculty of Education in July 2009 session, was awarded Ph.D Degree as per the resolution of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 07.08.2013 as per Notification No EB X/Ph.D/194/2013 dated 21.08.2013. As Dr. Lalamani P had registered for the Ph.D in the 2009 July session, course work was not mandatory for the award of Ph.D Degree as per the regulation prevailing at the time. (Copy of the Ph.D Registration order of the said candidate is attached herewith.)

She had also submitted a University order from Mahatma Gandhi University stating, those who have registered for Ph.D degree before 18.09.2010 were exempted from the course work and awarded Ph.D Degree subsequently as prescribed in the UGC Regulations 2009.

The candidate had also submitted a university order regarding the registration for research leading to the award of Ph.D degree in Education July 2009 session.

The Ph.D section has remarked that, as per UGC regulation 2009, No.13, after having been admitted, each M.Phil/Ph.D student shall be required by the Universities, Institutions, Deemed to be Universities and Colleges/Institutions of National Importance, as the case may be, to undertake course work for a minimum period of one semester. The course work shall be treated as pre M.Phil/PhD preparation and must include a course on research methodology which may include quantitative methods and Computer Applications. It may also involve reviewing of published research in the relevant field. The individual Universities, Institutions, Deemed to be Universities and Colleges/Institutions of National Importance, as the case may be, shall decide the minimum qualifying requirements for allowing a student to proceed further with the writing of the dissertation. If found necessary, course work may be carried out by doctoral candidates in Departments/Institutions either within or outside the University for which due credit will be given to them.

It may be noted that the changes made in the regulations for Ph.D research in the U.O No.Ac.E1.B3/2009 dated 10.07.2009 is as follows, (UO attached herewith)

1. The course work of six months duration is introduced for all Ph.D programmes
2. A pre-submission seminar conducted in the Department/Research Centre is one of the requirements for submission of thesis.
3. One publication in an approved journal and one presentation in a National or International Seminar is also a pre-requisite for submission of thesis.
4. The above regulation will be applicable to those who register for Ph.D research from July 2009 onwards.

The Chairman, BoS in Education (PG) who is also the Dean, Faculty of Education has remarked that, as per the U.O No.Ac.E1.B3/2009 dated 10.07.2009, the request of Smt. Dr. Lalamani.P cannot be recommended.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the issuance of Eligibility Certificate of Ph.D Degree in Education awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

- 31. Recognition of M.Sc Degree in Wildlife Studies (Regular) awarded by Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref: Application from Sri.Dencin Rons Thampy dated 13.01.2025

Sri.Dencin Rons Thampy had submitted the scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Degree in Wildlife Studies (Regular) awarded by Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology. He had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. He obtained

B.Sc Degree in Zoology from University of Calicut which is also recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Zoology (PG) has remarked that the candidate had completed PG Degree in Wildlife Studies from the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University and applied for the eligibility for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology. The Agriculture and Veterinary University courses are designed specifically for the professional training in their respective areas which cannot be considered at par with the classical/ traditional courses like Botany or Zoology. The Agricultural or Veterinary Universities never entertain any job opportunities for the PG Botany or Zoology students. Till date University of Kerala never issued equivalency to PG Wildlife Science with PG Zoology of the University and not recognised for job opportunities. Moreover, many Zoology courses like Cell Biology, Human Physiology, Immunology, Evolution etc are not covered. In this context, the eligibility certificate for higher studies only can be considered in this application and not recommended for job opportunities or employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, boS in Zoology (PG). However, he has not specifically commented that the candidate is eligible for higher studies in Zoology. The Dean, Faculty of Science recommended for higher studies in Zoology.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Sc Degree in Wildlife Studies (Regular) awarded by Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad as an eligible qualification for higher studies in Zoology is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Sc Degree in Wildlife Studies (Regular) awarded by Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad as an eligible qualification for higher studies in Zoology.

32. Recognition of M.Sc Degree in Physical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Madras, Chennai-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application received from Smt.SanikaSajeevan.D.K dated 15.11.2024

Smt.SanikaSajeevan.D.K had submitted the scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Degree in Physical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Madras, Chennai for course recognition for the purpose of equating it with M.Sc Degree in Chemistry of this University.

The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) has remarked that the candidate completed B.Sc Degree in Chemistry from University of Calicut which is recognised by the University of Kerala. The admission criteria and the syllabus are of having good adequacy and quality with respect to that of our University. More than 70 % similarity is also there. Hence, it is recommended that the M.Sc degree in Physical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Madras, Chennai may be recognised as eligible for higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) towards eligibility for higher education and employment.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Sc Degree in Physical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Madras, Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Sc Degree in Physical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Madras, Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Chemistry.

33. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate to AMICE (I) (Associate Membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers (India) Examination after availing lateral entry to its Diploma equivalent Technician Membership-Consideration of-reg.(Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Sri.Navas K B dtd: 17.11.2023

Sri.Navas K B submitted application for Eligibility Certificate of his Associate membership in

Civil Engineering of the Institution of Civil Engineers (India). The applicant has undergone 10+2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala; but has not studied Mathematics as one the papers at the Higher Secondary level. He has also acquired National Trade Certificate from Industrial Training Institute (ITI).

He passed Technician Engineer's Membership Examination (T.Engg.) of the Institution of Civil Engineers which is equivalent to Diploma in Civil Engineering by MHRD, Govt. of India vide Gazette Notification No.F.24-1/2007-TS.III dated:06.11.2007. But it is learnt from the Exemption Certificate produced by him that the exemption for Part I of the T.Engg. Membership is availed on the basis of his National Trade Certificate of ITI. But the said qualification is not considered as an eligible qualification for availing exemption for any paper/part of Diploma programmes conducted by the State Governments. Hence the exemption availed by the applicant on the basis of National Trade Certificate of ITI CANNOT BE CONSIDERED VALID. Hence, the applicant was informed that his application cannot be considered. However, he requested to reconsider his application on account of the following reasons:

He has obtained recognition from Technical Education Department (copy attached)

ITI certificate holders are now being granted lateral entry admission to Diploma Programmes of Govt. Polytechnics in Kerala (latest prospectus submitted by him. This facility was not in force during the period of study of the applicant).

Kerala PSC has recognised his Technician Membership and issued One Time Verification Certificate. (copy attached in the current file).

Hence remarks was sought from Chairperson BoS in Engineering (Pass) and Dean, Faculty of Technology. The Chairperson BoS in Engineering (Pass I) remarked that there exists a Government Order dated: 23.07.2021, which treats ITI Holders as eligible for lateral entry admission to Poly Technic Course. She continues that the said facility was not applicable to Diploma Courses prior to this Order. Hence, she has noted that she agrees with the opinion offered in the above mentioned notes.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson BoS in Engineering (Pass I). He has further noted that the applicant did not have sufficient basic qualification to obtain Eligibility Certificate for his AMICE (I) Examination from the University of Kerala at the time of admission to the course. Hence, Eligibility Certificate cannot be issued.

Hence the whole matter regarding issuance of Eligibility Certificate to AMICE (I) (Associate Membership of the Institution of Civil Engineers (India) Examination after availing lateral entry to its Diploma equivalent Technician Membership may be placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

34. Recognition of M.Sc Degree in Hydrochemistry (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Ms. Liby Ann Mathew, dated: 13.12.2023

Ms. Liby Ann Mathew submitted an application for recognition of the M.Sc. Degree in Hydrochemistry (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi. Her purpose of recognition is for equivalency with M.Sc Degree in Analytical Chemistry of this University. The above course has already been recognised with the M.Sc. Chemistry of this University. She completed 10+2 pattern of study and pursued B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry from Mahatma Gandhi University, which have been recognised by this University.

Remarks were sought from the Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) regarding this and he recommended to place the matter before the Board of Studies in Chemistry (P.G.) for a detailed discussion. Accordingly, the matter was placed before Additional Meeting of the BoS in Chemistry (PG), dated: 19.06.2024.

The Board discussed the matter and remarked that it is a specialised course with major

differences in the scheme and syllabus of the programme. The candidate has requested to equate it with M.Sc. Degree in Analytical Chemistry offered by the University of Kerala. Considering the present scenario, where tremendous changes are being implemented in different UG and PG Programmes, the Board decided not to consider it urgently as it has already been equated to the General M.Sc. Programme of this University. It should be noted that the two courses are specialised in different fields and significant differences are there among their syllabi."

The Dean, Faculty of Science, has endorsed the above minutes.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of the M.Sc. Degree in Hydrochemistry (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED not to recognize the M.Sc. Degree in Hydrochemistry (Regular) awarded by Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi.

35. Recognition as Research Centre - Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)

The Principal, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram has forwarded an application to recognize the **Department of English** of the Institution, as an approved Research Centre of University of Kerala.

As per the Resolution of the Syndicate meeting held on 23.12.2024, vide Item No. 16.62.A29 the Inspection team comprising the following members have visited **Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram** on 16.10.2024.

- Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Shijukhan J S, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Meena T. Pillai., Professor & Head, Institute of English, University of Kerala (Subject expert)

Following are the major findings of the Inspection team:

1. The proposed Centre is having a separate own building for library and reference section.
2. The library of the Centre have a collection of at least of 3000 books in commerce related topics and 12 hard copy Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities for individual scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising research guides .
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the Inspection team recommended to approve the Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram, as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 23.12.2024 vide item No.16.62.A29 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 09.12.2024, on the matter regarding the recognition of Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram, as approved Research Centre along with the Inspection report submitted by the Inspection team and **resolved to approve the Inspection report and place the matter before the Academic Council.**

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the **Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram**, as approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Department of English, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram, as an approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the word ‘Commerce’ occurring in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘**the major findings of the Inspection team**’ be corrected to read as ‘English’.

ALSO RESOLVED that the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research shall examine the cause of the clerical error that occurred in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘**the major findings of the Inspection team**’.

36. Recognition as Research Centre - Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)

The Principal, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam has forwarded an application to recognize the **Department of Biochemistry** of the Institution, as an approved Research Centre of University of Kerala.

As per the Resolution of the Syndicate meeting held on 02.07.2024, vide Item No. 11.11.A15, the Inspection team comprising the following members have visited **Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam** on 04.10.2024.

- Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member, Syndicate
- Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. S Jayan, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Arun A. Rauf, Associate Professor & Head, Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala (Subject expert)

Following are the major findings of the Inspection team:

1. The proposed Centre is having a separate own building for library and reference section.
2. The library of the Centre have a collection of at least of 3000 books in commerce related topics and 12 hard copy Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities for individual scholars.
4. There are two regular faculty in the Centre and submitted application for Guideship.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising research guides .
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre’s functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the Inspection team recommended to approve the Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 23.12.2024 vide item No.16.62.A30 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 09.12.2024, on the matter regarding the recognition of Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam, as approved Research Centre along with the Inspection report submitted by the Inspection team and **resolved to approve the Inspection report and place the matter before the Academic Council.**

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the **Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam**, as approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the **Department of Biochemistry, T.K.M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam**, as an approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the word ‘**Commerce**’ occurring in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘**the major findings of the Inspection team**’ be corrected to read as ‘**Biochemistry**’.

ALSO RESOLVED that the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research shall examine the cause of the clerical error that occurred in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘**the major findings of the Inspection team**’.

37. Recognition as Research Centre - Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)

The Principal, Christian College, Chengannur has forwarded an application to recognize the **Department of English** of the Institution, as an approved Research Centre of University of Kerala.

As per the Resolution of the Syndicate meeting held on 23.12.2024, vide Item No. 16.62.A36 the Inspection team comprising the following members have visited **Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur** on 18.11.2024.

- Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Member, Syndicate
- Sri. R. Rajesh, Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Meena T. Pillai., Professor & Head, Institute of English, University of Kerala (Subject expert)

Following are the major findings of the Inspection team:

1. The proposed Centre is having a separate own building for library and reference section.
2. The library of the Centre have a collection of at least of 3000 books in commerce related topics and 12 hard copy Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities for individual scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising research guides .
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre’s functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the Inspection team recommended to approve the Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur, as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 23.12.2024 vide item No.16.62.A36 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 09.12.2024, on the matter regarding the recognition of Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur, as approved Research Centre along with the Inspection report submitted by the Inspection team and **resolved to approve the Inspection report and place the matter before the Academic Council.**

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the **Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur**, as approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the **Department of English, Christian College, Chengannur**, as an approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the word ‘Commerce’ occurring in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘the major findings of the Inspection team’ be corrected to read as ‘English’.

ALSO RESOLVED that the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research shall examine the cause of the clerical error that occurred in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘the major findings of the Inspection team’.

38. Recognition as Research Centre - Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)

The Principal, Sree Narayana College, Kollam has forwarded an application to recognize the **Department of History** of the Institution, as an approved Research Centre of University of Kerala.

As per the Resolution of the Syndicate meeting held on 23.12.2024, vide Item No. 16.62.A17, the Inspection team comprising the following members have visited **Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam** on 04.09.2024.

- Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, Convener, Standing Committee of Syndicate on Academics & Research
- Adv. Muraleedharan Pillai G., Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Shijukhan J. S., Member, Syndicate
- Dr. Shaji A., Professor & Head, Dept. of History, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Tvpm (Subject expert)

Following are the major findings of the Inspection team:

1. The proposed Centre is having a separate own building for library and reference section.
2. The library of the Centre have a collection of at least of 3000 books in commerce related topics and 12 hard copy Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities for individual scholars.
4. There are four teachers having Ph.D. Degree and eligibility to become Research Guide.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising research guides .
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre’s functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the Inspection team recommended to approve the Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam, as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 23.12.2024 vide item No.16.62.A17 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 09.12.2024, on the matter regarding the recognition of Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam, as approved Research Centre along with the Inspection report submitted by the Inspection team and **resolved to approve the Inspection report and place the matter before the Academic Council.**

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting recognition to the **Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam**, as approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration and opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to recognize the **Department of History, Sree Narayana College, Kollam**, as an approved Research Centre of the University of Kerala.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the word ‘Commerce’ occurring in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading ‘the major findings of the Inspection team’ be corrected to read as ‘History’.

ALSO RESOLVED that the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research shall examine the cause of the clerical error that occurred in **Sl.no. 2** under the heading **‘the major findings of the Inspection team’**

39. Career Related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication Under CBCS System is equivalent to the First Degree Programme (B.A) in Malayalam Language, Culture and Literature Under CBCS System – Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AV)

Request has been received from a candidate who had completed the Career Related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System for issuing Special Certificate stating that the 'Career Related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System' is equivalent to the 'First Degree Programme in Malayalam Language , Culture and Literature'.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG) has remarked that 70% of the content of the First Degree Programme in Malayalam Culture and Literature and Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System are similar. Hence both the programmes can be equated.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council ,to equate the 'Career Related First Degree Programme in Malayalam and Mass Communication under CBCS System' to the 'First Degree Programme in Malayalam Language ,Culture and Literature', as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. UO No. 11178/2024/UOK dated 27.12.2024 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

40. Minutes of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 13/02/2025 is placed before the Academic Council for appropriate decision. (Ac.AII)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

DATE AND TIME : 13.02.2025 AT 2 P.M
VENUE : SYNDICATE ROOM, UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, PALAYAM

Members Present -

1. Prof.(Dr.) Mohanan Kunnummal, The Vice -Chancellor(in the chair)
2. Dr.Meena T. Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Arts
3. Dr.R Vasantha Gopal, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies
4. Dr. Manju S. Nair, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
5. Dr.ABijukumar, Dean, Faculty of Science
6. Dr.Bindu R.L, Dean, Faculty of Education
7. Dr.SindhuThulaseedharan, Dean, Faculty of Law
8. Dr.Sabu Joseph, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology
9. Dr.Gabriel Simon Thattil, Dean, Faculty of Commerce(Online)
10. Prof.(Dr.) Abhilash Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts(Online)
11. Dr.C.NVijayakumari, Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies(Online)

The meeting started at 2 P.M. The Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members to the meeting. The following items were discussed and recommendations made : -

Item No.40.01 Ph.D Registration in Education- July 2024 session- Ms. Nadhanine J. P. - Teaching experience as eligibility criteria for Ph.D. Registration in the Subject Education -reg. (Ac.E1)

The Head, Department of Education, University of Kerala has forwarded the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee in Education held on 03.09.2024 in respect of Mr. Nadhanine J. P., who is working as Asst. Professor in Mar Theophilus Training College (Self financing), along with the application and relevant documents, through the Research Portal. The Doctoral Committee recommended to grant Part-time Ph.D Registration in July 2024 Session, after verifying the documents submitted by the candidate and the vacancy of the supervisor allotted.

The Doctoral Committee Recommended for granting Part-time Ph.D. registration to the candidate under the supervision of Dr. Joju John, at Mar Theophilus Training College, Tvpm by considering his 11 years teaching experience as the Eligibility Criteria.

As per Clause 4(b) in the 'Regulations Related to Registration and the Award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy', College / University teachers with seven years teaching experience be exempted from the purview of Entrance test for Ph.D. registration. The candidate has submitted the Experience Certificate from the Secretary, Malankara Syrian Catholic Colleges, (Self-financing) stating Mr. Nadhanine J.P. has been working as Assistant Professor since 01.03.2013, in the Dept. of Malayalam, Mar Theophilus Training College, Tvpm.

It may be noted that a similar matter, i.e. the consideration of seven years of teaching experience in Self financing college, in lieu of qualifying Ph.D. Entrance test in r/o Ms. Saumya Reghunath, research aspirant in Education in July 2020 session, was considered by the Syndicate held on 25.08.2022, vide Item No. 45.90.A17 and resolved to Defer the matter for the time being. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting Part-time Ph.D. registration in Education, to Mr. Nadhanine J. P., in July 2024 session, by considering 11 years of teaching experience of Self financing college in lieu of qualifying Ph.D. Entrance examination is placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter of granting Part-time Ph.D. registration in Education, to Mr. Nadhanine J. P., in July 2024 session, by considering 11 years of teaching experience of Self financing college in lieu of qualifying Ph.D. Entrance examination and recommended that teaching experience of Self-financing college in lieu of qualifying Ph.D. Entrance examination cannot be considered.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 13/02/2025 be approved.

Item No.40.02 Granting permission to write Examination in Malayalam for a differently abled candidate, Smt. Nihal P-reg. (Ac.AIV)

A representation has been received from Nihal P, a differently abled candidate of M A Music degree programme at Sree Swathi Thirunal College of Music, Tvpm requesting that he may be permitted to write exams in Malayalam Language as he is suffering from 58% mental retardation. The Academic Council at its meeting held on 10th May 2024 resolved to approve the minutes of Faculty of Fine Arts (held on 30/04/2024) vide item no. II. iv, which endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Music (PG) held on 20/04/2024(vide item no. V.ii), to write examinations in English only for PG courses in Music. The Chairperson, BOS in Music(PG) recommended to place the matter before Board of Studies and convened an urgent online meeting with BOS members regarding permitting the differently abled candidate of M A Music, Nihal P, to write exam in Malayalam.

The Board decided to move forward with the previous decision of writing the Examinations in English for PG courses in Music as the medium of instruction is in simple English and the candidate has written BA Music Examination (Theory) in English, and candidate is writing the examination with the help of a scribe. The Board reviewed that granting permission to one candidate will set a

precedence. Hence the Board recommended not to permit the candidate Nihal P, to write examinations in Malayalam.

The Dean, faculty of Fine Arts remarked as follows:

While I understand the Board's concerns about maintaining consistency in the medium of instruction and examination, I believe that accommodating language preferences, **especially for differently-abled students**, could **enhance inclusivity and accessibility in our programs**. Providing students the flexibility to choose their language for assessments could foster a more supportive and inclusive academic environment, aligning with the broader values of our institution. I recommend that the Board **consider revisiting its decision and, if feasible, allow students to express themselves in their preferred language (Malayalam or English)** for examinations, as long as the quality and standards of evaluation are maintained.

As the recommendations of Board of Studies in Music (PG) and the Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts differ, the Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the matter regarding granting permission to the student, Nihal P, to write examination in Malayalam, **before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council** for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The committee considered the matter and recommended to grant permission to the student, Nihal P, to write examination in Malayalam.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 13/02/2025 be approved.

41. Regulations for FYUGP - Lower range of percentage of marks for Grades/Grade Points and Pass minimum criteria for ESE & CCA - rectification –Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.AV)

Four Year Under Graduate Programmes UoK-FYUGP Curriculum Framework and Regulation are implemented in the Affiliated Colleges/UITs w.e.f the academic year 2024-25, vide UO No. 4271/2024/UOK dated 22.05.2024. As per the FYUGP Regulations, **a student has to secure minimum of 35% marks for CCA and ESE separately in order to pass a course**. However, the lower range of percentage of marks for calculating the Grades and Grade Points is not specifically mentioned in the Regulations.

The Officers level Committee for FYUGP at its meeting held on 01.01.2025 recommended to rectify the lower range of percentage of marks for calculating the Grades and Grade Points as shown in the table below and amend the Regulations, subject to ratification by the Academic Council.

Letter Grade	Grade Point	Percentage of Marks (Both Internal & External Marks put together)		Class
		Existing	Proposed	
O (Outstanding)	10	95% and above	95% and above	First Class with Distinction
A+ (Excellent)	9	Above 85% and below 95%	85% to < 95%	
A (Very good)	8	Above 75% and below 85%	75% to < 85%	
B+ (Good)	7	Above 65% and below 75%	65% to < 75%	First Class
B (Above average)	6	Above 55% and below 65%	55% to < 65%	
C (Average)	5	Above 45% and below 55%	45% to < 55%	Second Class
P (Pass)	4	Above 35% and below 45% Aggregate (external and internal put together) with a separate minimum of 35% in external and	35% to < 45% Aggregate (external and internal put together) with a separate minimum of 35%	Third Class

		internal	in external and internal	
F (Fail)	0	Below a separate minimum of 35% in external and internal	Below a separate minimum of 35% in external and internal	Fail
Ab (Absent)	0			Fail

The proposed range of percentage of marks for calculating the Grades and Grade Points was intimated to the colleges vide Circular No. 29890/Ac A V (A)/2024/UOK dated 07.01.2025.

As per the clarification from the Controller of Examinations, the lower range of marks was considered at the time of evaluation and publication of results of First semester examinations, as recommended by the Officers level Committee for FYUGP.

A course with Theory and practical in FYUG Programme has CCA and ESE Components for both Theory and Practical. But the Regulation is silent on the separate minimum pass marks required for CCA (Practical) & CCA (Theory) and also for ESE (Theory) and ESE (Practical).

The Officers level Committee for FYUGP recommended that no separate minimum pass marks is required for CCA (Practical) & CCA (Theory) and also for ESE (Theory) and ESE (Practical). Separate pass minimum of 35% for Theory and Practicals is recommended for Science courses. The Committee also recommended that the whole matter to be placed before the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following recommendations of the Officers level Committee for FYUGP is placed before the Academic Council for consideration:

1. to rectify the lower range of percentage of marks for calculating the Grades and Grade Points and to amend the Regulations for FYUGP accordingly, subject to ratification.
2. to implement separate pass minimum of 35% for ESE (Theory) and ESE (Practical) and also for CCA (Practical) & CCA (Theory) for Science courses and no separate minimum pass marks be required for CCA (Practical) & CCA (Theory) and also for ESE (Theory) and ESE (Practical) in case of non-Science courses.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

42. Recognition of Examination –Degrees of State Boards- Statutory Universities – Deemed Universities- other Institutions –Approved by the Vice-Chancellor- Reporting of -reg. (Ac.C)

On the basis of the recommendations of the Chairman of various Boards of Studies and the Deans of respective faculties, the degrees/Examinations/Diplomas awarded by States Boards/Statutory Universities / Institutions as per the details shown in the statement appended are recognized as equivalent to the corresponding examinations/Degrees of this University either on reciprocal basis or recognized as an eligible qualifications for specific purposes such as higher studies or employment as the case may be, by the Vice-Chancellor Subject to reporting to the Academic Council in exercise of the powers conferred on him as per section. 10(13) of the Kerala University Act of 1974. Hence the matter is reported to the Academic council. The Statement Showing the Degrees Examinations recognized is appended.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

43. Rank List of CBCSS CR B.Com Computer Application 2020 Admission candidates – Report on inclusion in the Rank List after revoking grace marks on request – reg.(ES II)

Smt.Chitheeshma G, was a B.Com Computer Application candidate at SN College of Technology, Vadakkevila with candidate code: 138 20815026, She passed the course in April 2023

with 'A' grade. She has secured CCPA(s) of '8.671' including the eligible grace marks awarded in S3 March 2022 and S4 August 2022 for her performance in NSS.

The Final Position List of B.Com CA 2020 Admission candidates has been prepared after the publication of the results of all improvement chances and results of revaluation. The list has been approved by the Controller of Examinations on 24/06/2024. According to the Final Position List, Smt. Vijitha V with candidate code: 138 20815049 of SN College of Technology, Vadakkevila has been placed in First Rank with a CCPA(s) of '8.574'.

As per clause 6 of Circular no. M&C I/2082/2023 dated 25/02/2023, which comprises the rules and conditions regarding the issuance of Position Certificate for First Degree programme under CBCSS and Career related courses, "Candidates who were awarded grace marks or moderation for any paper of any semester are not eligible to be included in the Position/Rank List."

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the matter of revoking the grace marks awarded and thereby inclusion in the Final Position List in r/o Smt. Chitheeshma G has been placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 04/11/2024.

The Syndicate at its 15th meeting held on 05/11/2024 and 11/11/2024, vide item no. 15.143.04, has resolved to approve the recommendations of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 04/11/2024 to form a sub-committee consisting of Dr. Rahim K (Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations), Dr. Prakash K C, Prof. Manoj V (Members, Syndicate), Prof. Dr. Meena T Pillai (Dean, Faculty of Arts) and the Controller of Examinations to examine the request of the candidate and directed the committee to submit a report on revamping the norms pertaining to the award of grace marks to the Academic Council for consideration.

As per the Syndicate resolution, the Sub-Committee convened on 10/02/2025 and submitted a report on the matter. The report of the Sub-Committee is appended herewith.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the report of the Sub-Committee is placed before the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the report submitted by the sub committee constituted by the Syndicate to examine the request of the candidate and to submit a report on revamping the norms pertaining to the award of grace marks **and RESOLVED** that the candidate Smt. Chitheeshma G, shall be issued the Rank Certificate with her re-calculated marks (without Grace Marks) making her eligible for the First position in April 2023 Examination, after verifying the authenticity of her claim

FURTHER RESOLVED that to prevent future cases where candidates lose meritorious positions, the Rank/Position List shall be prepared considering all candidates, including those awarded Grace Marks. However, their Grace Marks shall not be considered for ranking purposes. Furthermore, Rank/Position Certificates shall be issued without mentioning CCPA(s). This policy shall be made applicable from the 2022 admission candidates onwards.

ALSO RESOLVED that the Standing Committee of the Academic Council shall review and revamp the existing norms for awarding Grace Marks for all courses to ensure uniformity and alignment with the respective course regulations.

(II) Business brought forward by the Faculties

(i) Faculty of Arts

Dr. Meena T Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Arts moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/01/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/01/2025 be approved.

(ii) Faculty of Social Sciences

Dr. Manju.S.Nair, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved.

(iii) Faculty of Oriental Studies

The Registrar moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/01/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/01/2025 be approved.

(iv) Faculty of Fine Arts

Dr. Abhilash Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved.

(v) Faculty of Science

Dr. A Bijukumar, Dean, Faculty of Science moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Science as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 03/02/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Science as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 03/02/2025 be approved.

(vi) Faculty of Commerce

Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil, Dean, Faculty of Commerce moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 01/02/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 01/02/2025 be approved.

(vii) Faculty of Law

Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan, Dean, Faculty of Law moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 06/02/2025 be approved

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 06/02/2025 be approved.

(viii) Faculty of Education

Dr. Bindu.R.L, Dean, Faculty of Education moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 04/02/2025 be approved

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 04/02/2025 be approved.

(ix) Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Dr. Sumesh Divakaran, Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 13/12/2024 & 11/02/2025 be approved

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 13/12/2024 & 11/02/2025 be approved.

(x) Faculty of Management Studies

Dr. R.Vasanthagopal, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 29/01/2025 be approved

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 29/01/2025 be approved.

(xi) Faculty of Physical Education

The Registrar moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 29/01/2025 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 29/01/2025 be approved.

(xii) Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology

Dr. Sabu Joseph, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 30/01/2025 be approved.

(III) Resolutions given notice of by the Members

Dr. C.N Vijayakumari	
1.	കേരളസർവകലാശാലയിൽ സംസ്കൃതാഭ്യയനം സ്പെഷ്യൽ, ജനറൽഎന്നിങ്ങനെ രണ്ട് വിഭാഗത്തിൽ ഉള്ളതിനാൽ അക്കാദമിക് പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങൾ കാര്യക്ഷമമാക്കുന്നതിന് വേണ്ടി സംസ്കൃതം (സ്പെഷ്യൽ) എന്നുംസംസ്കൃതം (ജനറൽ) എന്നും രണ്ട് ബോർഡ് ഓഫ്സ്റ്റഡീസ് രൂപീകൃതമാക്കണമെന്ന് ഈ പ്രമേയത്തിലൂടെ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.
<i>The resolution was seconded by Dr.Bindu.T.V</i>	
<i>The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter cannot be considered.</i>	
Dr. Sreelekha L	
2.	The Academic Council resolves that M.Ed answer scripts be assigned only to teachers with a minimum of two years teaching experience in teaching M.Ed course.
<i>The resolution was seconded by Dr.SushamaRaj.R.V</i>	
<i>The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.</i>	
Dr. Sreelekha L	
3.	The Academic Council resolves that the University initiates workshops on ITEP implementation in colleges.
<i>The resolution was seconded by Dr.K. Radhakrishnan</i>	
<i>The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered.</i>	
Prof. (Dr.) Vinod C Sugathan	
4.	കേരളയൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയിൽ റിസർച്ച് സെന്ററുകൾ നിലവിലില്ലാത്ത കോളേജുകളിലെ പഠനവകുപ്പുകളിൽ ഗൈഡ്ഷിപ്പിന് അർഹരായ അധ്യാപകർക്ക് യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റി ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെന്റ്, സെന്ററായി അനുവദിച്ച ഗൈഡുകളാകാനുള്ള അവസരം ലഭ്യമാക്കണമെന്ന് ഈ യോഗം ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.
<i>The resolution was seconded by Dr.Sreelekha.L</i>	
<i>The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be considered case by case.</i>	
Dr. C.N Vijayakumari	
5.	കേരള സർവകലാശാലയുടെ ORI & MSS ൽ നിരവധി താളിയോല ഗ്രന്ഥങ്ങൾ സംരക്ഷിക്കപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ട്. പ്രസ്തുതതാളിയോല ഗ്രന്ഥങ്ങൾ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്കും ഗവേഷകർക്കും അധ്യാപകർക്കും പഠന-ഗവേഷണ-പ്രസിദ്ധീകരണങ്ങൾക്കായി ലഭ്യമാക്കണമെന്ന് ഈ പ്രമേയത്തിലൂടെ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. Vinod Kumar. T.G.Nair

The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter cannot be considered.

Dr. Sushama Raj R V

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| 6. | യുജിസി Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D, 2022 ലെ Clause 4.4.3 നിഷ്കർഷിക്കുന്ന പ്രകാരം അഫിലിയേറ്റഡ് കോളേജുകളിലെ റിസർച്ച് സെന്ററുകളിൽ ഡോക്ടറൽ കമ്മിറ്റി രൂപീകരിക്കുവാനും, മീറ്റിംഗുകൾ നടത്തുവാനുമുള്ള നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ നൽകണമെന്ന് ഈ സഭ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു. |
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The resolution was seconded by Smt. Asha Prabhakaran

The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter cannot be considered for the time being.

Dr. K. Radhakrishnan

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| 7. | കേരള യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയുമായി അഫിലിയേറ്റ് ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്ന കോളേജുകളിലെ ബിരുദാനന്തര ബിരുദവിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് റീവാലുവേഷൻ സൗകര്യം അനുവദിക്കണമെന്ന് ഈ സഭ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു. |
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. Sreelekha.L

The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter cannot be considered.

Many members raised concern over the provisions contained in clause 11 of the Draft UGC Regulations 2025 under the heading Consequences of violation of UGC Regulations.

The Vice-Chancellor thanked all members for their whole-hearted co-operation.

The meeting came to a close at 01.20 PM.

**Sd/-
REGISTRAR**

**Sd/-
VICE-CHANCELLOR**

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17.02.2025