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Minutes of the Special Academic Council Meeting

Date: 28th February 2025

Time: 11:00 am

Attendees:

Dr. Jwalant Vora	Chairman
Dr. Alpana Shukla	Head of Department
Dr. Harshang Pandya	Head of Department
Dr. R.K. Pujara	Head of Department
Dr. Paras M. Solanki	Head of Department
Dr. S. G. Yadav	Head of Department
Dr. M. B. Thaker	Head of Department
Dr Noopur Goyal	Head of Department
Dr. Haresh G. Patel	Head of Department
Dr. Zankhana Rathod	Faculty Representative
Mr. Hiren Rathod	Faculty Representative
Dr D.I. Prajapati	Faculty Representative
Ms Sunita Jha	Faculty Representative
Dr. Hemangini Vora	GB Representative
Dr. Rashmi Barbhैया	GB Representative
Dr. J.K. Desai	Controller of Examination
Dr. Kirit Vaniya	Member-Secretary
Dr Shivani Raval	Head of Department
Dr Rachana Gendiwal	Head of Department
Dr Chandramauly Sharma	Faculty Representative

Following members conveyed their absence

Dr. Shailesh N Zala	Head of Department
Prof Utpal Joshi	University Representative
Dr Prateek Kanchan	University Representative
Dr. Ashok Singhvi	GB Representative
Dr J R Patel	G B Representative


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Dr. Kirit Vaniya, initiated the session

He presented minutes of previous meeting.

Dr Barbhैया inquired about action taken report. He also commented on developing a distinct vision for M G science institute as autonomous institute

Dr Yadav deliberated on aligning courses with the rapidly changing global landscape and also expressed need for the evaluation of the competitiveness and relevance of current academic programs.

Dr Pujara emphasized on need to restore the institution's former glory through quality education and faculty excellence.

Dr Bharbhैया was keen on multidisciplinary approaches to enhance learning and employability and for this it is important to attract and retain talented faculty.

Dr. Sharma proposed the activation of the Research Club (RC) within six months to foster academic growth.

The minutes were approved

To recommend the governing Body "proposal for the institution of New programmes- given by our departments.

Mr. Paras Solanki presented the need for a **Diploma** in geoinformatics and **M.Sc. in Geoinformatics**.

All science graduates and Arts with **Geography** as a subject are eligible to apply for MSc course and all students pursuing B. Sc. are eligible for diploma course

Proposed intake capacity: **40 seats for Diploma, 20 seats for M.Sc.**

Dr. Rashmi Bharbhैया confirmed **management support** for the initiative.

Dr. Hemangini Vora discussed the importance of **fieldwork** as part of the course structure.

A discussion was raised on why both Diploma and M.Sc. programs should be introduced.

Mr. Paras Solanki clarified that **current students can join** and benefit from diploma course as extra qualification

Resolution – It has been resolved to present this course to GB meeting

Introduction of PG Diploma in Nutrition & Dietetics

Presentation by Ms Sunita Ma'am

Explained the feasibility and **guilt-free** approach to introducing a PG Diploma in **Nutrition & Dietetics**.

Highlighted the **practical training** component for students in nearby laboratories.

Signed an **MOU** to formalize collaboration for training and research.

Sunita Ma'am mentioned NGOs as potential collaborators for community engagement in nutrition education.

Dr. Hemangini Vora emphasized that **there should be no age limit** for enrolment, allowing wider participation.

The program can attract **Home Science, pharma and Nursing students**, enhancing interdisciplinary learning.

During the discussion Dr Noopur suggested to include influence of nutrients on Gut microbiome

Resolution – It has been resolved to present this course to GB meeting

Introduction of Certificate Course on Green Audit & Environment

Structure of the Course

Duration: 6 days

Total Hours: 42 hours

Credit Value: 2 credits 30 hours

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Faculties Involved: Mr. Sarabhai (CEE)

Target Students: 60 students from JVV-AES

Open to undergraduate students from any discipline (12th pass required)

Resolution: As this is a certificate course council deemed that it need not be presented to GB

3. To recommend the governing body institution of Scholarships, Studentships, fellowships, prizes and medals, and to frame regulations for the award of the same.

Best Student Award – Criteria & Funding

The rules and criteria for selecting the **Best Student** need to be defined.

Donations can be raised to support the award.

Dr. Hemangini Vora said she is willing to lead this initiative.

Dr. Bharbhaya has **agreed** to recognize subject-wise toppers in **Microbiology** provided the institute can arrange fund or donors for other eight subjects

Resolution – It has been resolved award prize to subject wise topper and to frame rules and regulations and criteria for overall best student of the year

Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting ended at **12:45 PM** with a vote of thanks by **Dr Noopur Goyal**.

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