

**Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Academic Council of
Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science, (Autonomous), Margao - Goa
held in the College on 4th November, 2023.**

Following the Chowgule College notice F.133(B)/902 dated 20th October 2022, convening an online meeting of the Academic Council of Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science (Autonomous) on 4th November 2023 at 10.30 a.m., the Meeting of the said Academic Council was held on the said day, date, and time. Since the members present represented the quorum, the Academic Council began its proceedings as per the agenda.

Members Present:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar, Principal - Chairperson

Heads/ Incharge of Departments in the College

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| 2. Ms. Sarah Mesquita | - Biochemistry |
| 3. Dr. Starlaine Mascarenhas | - Biotechnology |
| 4. Dr. Uma Masur | - Botany |
| 5. Dr. G. K. Naik | - Chemistry |
| 6. Dr. Sameena Falleiro | - Computer Science |
| 7. Dr. Meghana Devli | - Geology |
| 8. Ms. Danielle Monteiro | - Mathematics |
| 9. Dr. Ashish Desai | - Physics |
| 10. Ms. Mithali Halarnkar | - Zoology |
| 11. Mrs. Rupali Tamuly | - Economics |
| 12. Prof. Nandkumar N. Sawant | - Geography |
| 13. Mrs. Sarita S. Naik Tari | - History |
| 14. Ms. Saroj Usgaonkar | - Philosophy |
| 15. Dr. Sobita Kirtani | - Psychology |
| 16. Dr. Sachin Moraes | - Sociology |
| 17. Dr. Sonia Fernandes Da Costa | - English |
| 18. Mrs. Carol Baretto Miranda | - French |
| 19. Dr. Pradeep Jatal | - Hindi |
| 20. Dr. Gunaji Desai | - Konkani |
| 21. Ms. Trupti Fal Desai | - Marathi |
| 22. Dr. Devashish Bagchi | - Physical Education |
| 23. Mrs. Poonam Joshi | - Librarian |
| 24. Mr. Alberto Ian Barreto | - Teacher Representative |
| 25. Dr. Manjita Porob | - Teacher Representative |
| 26. Mr. Aresh Naik | - Teacher Representative |
| 27. Mr. D. Prabakaran | - Special Invitee |

Nominees on the Academic Council

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| 28. Dr. Gyan Mudra | - Governing Body Nominee |
| 29. Prof. M. S. Dayanand | - Goa University Nominee |
| 30. Prof. Savita Kerkar | - Goa University Nominee |

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| 31. Mr. Kumaresh V. C. | - Member Secretary and Vice-Principal |
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Leave of Absence

The following Academic Council members were absent:

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| 1. Mr. Clinton Vaz | - Governing Body Nominee |
| 2. Prof. Vimal Rarh | - Governing Body Nominee |
| 3. Dr. Qudsiya Contractor | - Governing Body Nominee |
| 4. Mr. Shishir Gupta | - Governing Body Nominee |
| 5. Prof. Ganesha Somayaji | - Goa University Nominee |
| 6. Dr. Bhanumati Pilli (On CCL) | - Teacher Representative |

Agenda for the Meeting

1. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 13th May 2023.
2. To approve the proposed Syllabi of Semester III and IV of the Undergraduate and Part II of Postgraduate Degree Programmes and the revised syllabi of the existing courses, if any, as recommended by the respective Board of Studies.
3. To approve the course structure and syllabus of Semester I and II of two new programmes:
 - i) B.Sc. Environment Science and Impact Assessment.
 - ii) M.Sc. Life Science.
4. To approve the pattern of question papers for OBE implementation.
5. To approve maximum of 20% of total programme credits obtained from ODL/ any other online courses approved by the college.
6. Any Other Business (A.O.B.)

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairperson, Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar, welcomed all the members of the Academic Council.

Subsequently, the Agenda for the meeting was taken up by the Member Secretary.

1. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 13th May 2023.

The minutes of meeting of previous Academic Council held on 13th May 2023 were circulated to all members on 18th May 2023. The Member Secretary read out the main points of the minutes of previous Academic Council meeting

The house unanimously approved the minutes.

2. To approve the proposed Syllabi of various courses of the Undergraduate and Postgraduate Degree Programmes, as recommended by the respective Board of Studies.

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S.N	Subject	Level	(New/ Revised syllabi etc)	Resolution of the Academic Council	Suggestions made by Academic Council/ Clarifications
1	Biotechnology	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • List of Examiners for TYBSc Project 	Approved	--
2	Botany	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure • Revision in existing syllabus of Semester II 	Approved	--
3	Chemistry	UG (B.Sc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in existing syllabus of Semester II • Revision in Course structure 	Approved	--
		PG (M.Sc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
4	Computer Science	UG (B.Sc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in Course structure 	Approved	--
		UG (B.Voc Softw are Dev.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
		PG (M.Sc. I.T.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
5	Geology	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
6	Mathematics	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
7	Physics	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure 	Approved	Reference book with page nos. recommended under each module of syllabus need not be mentioned.

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8	Zoology	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure 	Approved	--
	Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical Genetics and Medical Laboratory Techniques	PG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision in existing syllabus of Semester II 	Approved	--
9	Economics	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • List of Examiners for TYBA Project 	Approved	--
10	Geography	UG (BA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III • Introduction of MDC at semester I for B.A. 	Approved	--
		UG (B.Sc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III 	Approved	--
		PG (M.A.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III 	Approved	--
11	History	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure 	Approved	--
12	Philosophy	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure 	Approved	Old reference books to be updated with the latest ones
13	Psychology	UG (BA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure • Revision in Existing syllabus of Sem I, V & VI 	Approved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor courses to be listed in the appropriate column • Field exposure to be given to students w.r.t. courses like Community Psychology and Health Psychology
		PG (MA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--
14	Sociology	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • List of Examiners for TYBA Project 	Approved	--

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15	English	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in existing syllabus of Semester VI • List of examiners for TYBA Project 	Approved	--
16	French	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • List of Examiners for TYBA Project 	Approved	--
17	Hindi	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV • Revision in course structure 	Approved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National level scholars to be added • The entire document to be written in Hindi
18	Konkani	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	VAC for Semester III has to be cancelled and to be approved for Semester I in the next BOS.
19	Marathi	UG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New syllabi of Semester III and IV 	Approved	--

* Common suggestions made to all Departments:

- To categorize the Reference books into Mandatory reading and Supplementary reading.
- Syllabi of all departments to be presented in one uniform format. Dean of Academics to look into this.

3. To approve the course structure and syllabus of Semester I and II of two new programmes:

- B.Sc. Environment Science and Impact Assessment.
- M.Sc. Life Science.

Resolution : Approved the two new programmes with the following suggestion:

- Programme objectives to be framed for the two new programmes.

4. To approve the pattern of question papers for OBE implementation.

National Education Policy emphasizes on Outcome Based Education as a fundamental component of our education system and there is a focus to move from rote memorization to learning centric approach. The NAAC criteria 2.6 also emphasizes on OBE implementation. Hence there is a strong need to streamline all programmes and courses that are run by the college. Based on this, the guidelines to paper setters with respect to Assessments/Evaluations over a Semester and the proposed question paper were presented.

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Resolution : Approved with the following suggestions:

- i) The question paper should be framed in a manner that would enable an average student to achieve the minimum score required to earn the credits.
- ii) Ordinance to be framed for the same.

5. To approve maximum of 20% of total programme credits obtained from ODL/ any other online courses approved by the college.

In view of implementation of NEP 2020, students have been given an option of pursuing online courses under ODL or any other platform approved by the college.

Resolution : Approved maximum of 20% of total programme credits with the following suggestions:

- i) Students should offer these courses in the second or third semester.
- ii) The respective Department Faculty Council (DFC) should shortlist and approve the courses to be pursued by students online.

6. Any Other Business (A.O.B.)

- i) Consideration of NCC/NSS/Sports entitlement marks:

Under the Autonomous structure, the college had implemented mandatory non-evaluative credits and entitlement marks for NCC/NSS/ Sports were withdrawn. However, with the implementation of NEP, the non-evaluative credits are optional and hence the college has decided to consider the NCC/NSS/Sports entitlement marks. Accordingly, Ordinance AO-20.8 relating to entitlement marks at the Semester End Examinations was presented.

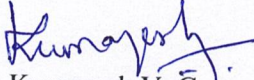
Resolution : Ordinance AO-20.8 is approved.


- ii) One-time Special Examination for the students in view of covid pandemic:

In view of covid pandemic, the students who were admitted during the academic year 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and having backlogs will be granted a one time special examination to complete the Programme, beyond double the duration, subject to certain conditions as mentioned in the college Special Ordinance SO-1.

Resolution : The house approved the one-time special examination to students.

The meeting ended at 4.00 p.m. with a vote of thanks by the Chairperson of Academic Council.


Kumaresh V. C.
Member Secretary
Academic Council


Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta G. Sankhalkar
Chairperson
Academic Council

Date: 7th November 2023

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