

**MINUTES OF THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
HELD ON 28th SEPTEMBER 2015 at 11:00 AM.**

Fourth meeting of the College Development Council was held on 28th May 2015 at 11:00 AM in the office of the Vice-Chancellor. Following members were present in the meeting.

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| 1. Prof. T.B. Subba
Vice-Chancellor | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang,
Dean, School of Life Sciences | - | Member |
| 3. Prof. Irshad Gulam Ahmed
Dean, School of Languages & Literature | - | Member |
| 4. Dr. Dhaniraj Chhetri,
Dean, Students' Affair | - | Member |
| 5. Dr. Lily Aley
Principal, Sikkim Govt. College, Tadong | - | Member |
| 6. Dr. Sujata Basnet
Principal (In-Charge), Sikkim Govt. College, Rhenock | - | Member |
| 7. Dr. Rabindra Chettri
Principal (In-Charge), Sikkim Govt. College, Gyalshing | - | Member |
| 8. Dr. P.K. Mishra
Principal, Damber Singh College, Tadong. | - | Member |
| 9. Dr. Sandhya Rai
Principal, Loyola College of Education, Namchi | - | Member |
| 10. Shri T.K. Kaul
Registrar | - | Secretary |

Dr. Debashish Chowdhury, Controller of Examinations attended the meeting as special invitee. Dr. Suresh Gurung, Deputy Registrar (Acad.) was present to assist the Council.

The Chairman welcomed all the members of the College Development Council and introduced the new member who has been appointed recently as the Principal of Loyola College of Education, Namchi. Thereafter agenda items were taken up.

SECTION – 1
CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES & ACTION TAKEN REPORT

CDC.4.1.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the College Development Council held on 21st May 2015.

Minutes of the Third Meeting of the College Development Council held on 21st May 2015 were circulated to all the members. Since no comments were received from any member, the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the College Development Council held on 21st May 2015 were confirmed.

CDC.4.1.2: Action taken Report on the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the College Development Council held on 21st May 2015.

The Chairman asked the Secretary to present the action taken report on the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the College Development Council. Action taken report was there after presented by the Secretary.

While commenting on the payment of honorarium to the external examiners as per norms of the university by the colleges, it was decided to request the Principals of colleges to submit a compliance report on the same.

Regarding renewal of the BA-LLB course, the Secretary informed that the Bar Council of India increased the inspection fee for renewal from Rs. 1,00,000/- to Rs. 1,50,000/- . A draft of Rs. 50,000/- towards the payment of additional inspection fee was sent to the Bar Council of India, New Delhi, through Bank Draft on 22.09.2015.

Further, regarding Grant of Temporary Affiliation, Secretary informed that on the request of the Principal of the College the name of Sikkim Government College, Namchi, was corrected as 'Namchi Government College, Kamrang, South Sikkim, and a corrigendum to that effect was issued vide office order 182/2015 dated 26.08.2015.

SECTION – 2
REPORTING ITEMS

CDC 4.2.1 Commencement of UG programme in Psychology in Sikkim Govt. College, Rhenock.

The Chairman informed that Sikkim Govt. College, Rhenock was granted permission to start new courses in BA/B.Sc. Psychology and B.Sc. Computer Science in 2014. However, the college did not start the courses in 2014. The HRDD, GOS, vide letter no. GCR/2013-14/604 dated 22.06.2015 expressed intention to start these two courses in Sikkim Government College, Rhenock from the academic session 2015-16. In view of it University granted

permission to the college to start BA/B.Sc. Psychology from the academic session 2015-16 followed by B.Sc. in Computer Science from 2016-17. The Secretary informed that a committee was constituted to frame syllabus for B.Sc. Computer Science and was placed as a separate agenda item for approval.

CDC4.2.2 Ishan Uday Scholarship for students belonging to NER.

The Chairman informed that Principals of all the affiliated colleges were informed to encourage students who had passed Class XII from schools of NE Region and whose parents' annual income was not exceeding Rs. 4.5 lakhs to apply for Ishan Uday Scholarship for the session 2015-16. It was also informed that the scholarship amount was increased to Rs. 4,500/- from Rs. 3,500/- for general degree course and Rs. 5,500/- from Rs. 4,500/- for technical / Professional course including medical and paramedical courses. The last date for submission of online application has been extended to 30th September 2015.

The Principals of colleges informed that the process of filling of application form was in progress and would be able to give report on applicants only after 30th September 2015. Principal, Sikkim Govt. College, Tadong said that in view of non-availability of non-judicial stamp paper, students submitted affidavit in plain paper affixing stamp worth Rs. 50/-.

CDC4.2.3 Commencement of 5 PG programmes in Sikkim Government College, Tadong, w.e.f Academic Session 2015-16.

The Chairman informed that in view of the decision of the HRDD, GOS, to start PG programme in Sikkim Government College, Tadong, in five subjects namely Physics, Mathematics, English, Economics and History, University constituted an Inspection Committee as per the UGC norms which would submit its report to the University soon. The Chairman further informed that an agreement was signed with HRDD, GOS, on 24.08.2015, as one time exception not to be cited as precedent in future, to run an extension centre at Sikkim Government College, Tadong, for PG courses in Physics (15), Mathematics (15), Economics (20), English (20) and History (20) strictly for 2015-16 academic session.

Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for allowing permission to start PG programme in 5 subjects with prescribed intake at the extension centre of the University at Sikkim Government College, Tadong, was ratified by the CDC and recommended for approval of the Academic Council. The Agreement between Sikkim University and HRDD, GOS, was also ratified by the CDC.

SECTION – 3
RATIFICATION MATTERS

CDC 4.3.1 Enhancement of intake from 60 seats to 100 seats in Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm.) in Himalayan Pharmacy Institute, Majhitar from 2015-16.

Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in enhancing the number of seats from 60 to 100 on approval of Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) in Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm.) in Himalayan Pharmacy Institute, Majhitar, from the academic session 2015-16 was ratified by the CDC and recommended for approval of the Academic Council.

CDC 4.3.2 Enhancement of intake from existing 35 seats to 50 seats in Master of Education (M.Ed.) course in Harkamaya College of Education, Samdur, Tadong.

Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in enhancing the number of seats from existing 35 seats to 50 on approval of National Council for Teacher Education (Easter Regional Committee) in Master of Education (M.Ed.) course in Harkamaya College of Education, Samdur, Tadong, from the academic session 2015-16 was ratified by the Council and recommended for approval of the Academic Council.

SECTION – 4
MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL

CDC.4.4.1: Syllabus for B.Sc. Computer Science.

The Chairman informed that Sikkim Government College, Rhenock, was granted permission to start new courses in BA/B.Sc. Psychology and B.Sc. Computer Science in 2014. The College however did not start the courses in 2014. In view of the decision of the HRDD, GOS, to start the courses from the academic session 2015-16, university granted permission to Sikkim Government College, Rhenock, to start BA/B.Sc. Psychology course from 2015-16 session because the university had syllabus available for the subject.

It was informed that since there was no syllabus for B.Sc. Computer Science, University constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Subir Mukhopadhyaya, Dean School of Physical Sciences, Sikkim to draft the syllabus.

The draft Syllabi of B.Sc. Computer Science as placed at Annexure – 4 was discussed by the Council and recommended for approval of the Academic Council.

SECTION – 5
ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

CDC 4.5.1: Admission of students in Sikkim Government B. Ed. College, Soreng, West Sikkim and Sikkim Government Law College, Lower Burtuk, Gangtok.

The Chairman informed that the two colleges admitted students to beyond their prescribed intake without the approval of the Regulatory authorities and also without the consent of the University. The university was not aware of it till the time the HRDD, GOS wrote for affiliation. The Chairman informed that the HRDD, GOS, was asked to seek permission from the Regulatory authorities like NCTE and BCI in the first instance for increased intake and then apply to university for affiliation.

It was decided that if these colleges failed to get approval from the respective Regulatory Authorities for increased intake, the University would be forced to conduct examination of only the authorized intake in both the cases.

The Council further decided that the University may write to HRDD, GOS, on the following two issues;

1. To give distinct names to colleges established and maintained by the HRDD, GOS to avoid confusion.
2. Not to increase the intake in B.Ed. and BA-LLB programmes in colleges maintained by it without the approval of the Regulatory authorities and the University so that no hardship is caused to students who are ignorant about the rules.

While responding to a question put up by the Principal, Sikkim Government College, Tadong that whether she needed to apply for affiliation for the newly started PG programme in the college, the Chairman told her to apply and wait till the submission of the report by the Inspection Committee duly constituted for the purpose on the request of HRDD, GOS.

The issue of maintaining standard of question papers for UG examination, delay in the receipt of questions from question paper setter, non-availability of subject experts etc. for some subjects like Statistics was also discussed at length. The Council after deliberation decided to have a provision of **Question Bank** for the UG courses in SU and recommended it for approval of the Academic Council.

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

Sd/-
(T.K. Kaul)
Registrar & Secretary
CDC

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(T.B. Subba)
Vice-Chancellor & Chairman
CDC