



USHA MARTIN UNIVERSITY, RANCHI, JHARKHAND

Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Academic Council dated 17-March-2020

The meeting of the 15th Academic Council was held on 17th March 2020 at 2.30 pm in Conference Hall at University Campus. Following members were present in the meeting:

- 1. Prof. S. C. Garg, Vice Chancellor, UMU – Chair**
- 2. Prof. L. N. Bhagat, Former VC, Ranchi University**
- 3. Prof. V. Bhattacharya, Head, Computer Science, BIT Mesra**
- 4. Prof. S. Chaudhari, St Xavier College, Ranchi**
- 5. Prof. Madhulika Kaushik, PVC, UMU**
- 6. Dr. Vinay Singh, Associate Prof., UMU**
- 7. Dr. Arvind Hans, Associate Prof., UMU**
- 8. Dr. Sharmistha Roy, Associate Prof., UMU**
- 9. Dr. Anupama Verma, AP., UMU**
- 10. Dr. Abhishek Pandey, A.P, UMU**
- 11. Dr. Lopamudra Satpaty, A.P, UMU**
- 12. Dr. Akanksha Anand, A.P, UMU**
- 13. Dr. P. C. Panda, A.P, UMU**
- 14. Dr. Jayantika Pal, A.P, UMU**
- 15. Dr. Md Amir Khusru Akhtar, Associate Prof., UMU**
- 16. Sh. Binod Kispotta, Registrar, Member Secretary**

AC 9.1 Welcome Remarks and Information Sharing by the Chairman

AC 9.1.1 At the outset, Prof. S. C. Garg, Vice Chancellor, extended a very warm and cordial welcome to all members present on behalf of the University and on his own behalf. He particularly thanked Sh. Binod Kispota, Registrar and new Member Secretary. He expressed his gratefulness to the external members for sparing their valuable time from their busy schedules and giving UMU benefit of their experience and expertise to UMU. He highlighted that due to their expert advice, the number of courses offered by the University as well as student enrolment and no. of faculty members have grown considerably in a short span of three years. Before requesting the Registrar to present the Agenda Items, he shared various developments in the University since the last meeting held on 13.11. 2019.

(i) He apprised the AC that in one of the previous meetings, he had informed that the University would move to its permanent campus by 31.3.2020. However, it is now realized that it may not be prudent to break the rhythm of the semester. Therefore, in all probability, this semester teaching would be completed in the present campus and the examinations would be held in the new campus.

(ii) In an effort to establish academic leadership in the state, various faculties of the University started conducting workshops for the teachers and students of various universities including UMU. He particularly mentioned workshops on Research Methodology, Koha Platform, Mobile Journalism and Fake News, Internet of Things with the help of internal and external resource persons for their successful conduct. He hoped that this activity would continue in future by various faculties.

(iii) In this academic year, the University Management has put great emphasis on promoting research by the faculty. While research scholarships and research Chairs were instituted last year, it is now proposed to sanction seed money for research projects, which would strengthen research ambience in the University. He placed on record sincere appreciation to the management for providing this support.

(iv) He informed that Prof. Viplaw Pandey, Registrar and Professor, Accounting and Finance had demitted his office in November, 2019 and Sh. Binod Kispota joined the University in December, 2019. He hoped that with vast administrative experience that Sh. Kispota carries with him, the University would achieve further strength in university governance.

AC 9.1.2 Members lauded the growth of University in terms of students, teachers and non-academic staff. The emphasis of management on research was particularly appreciated. AC further suggested that it would be desirable to offer Nursing programme. However, the University must make sure to have in place a standing arrangement with a full service hospital and a separate building to provide learners appropriate laboratories before applying for approval by NCI.

The VC then requested the Registrar to present the agenda items. The Council took the agenda items one by one for its consideration.

AC.9.2 To Confirm the Minutes of the Eighth Meeting of Academic Council

AC 9.2.1 The Registrar informed the Council that the minutes of the 8th meeting of the Academic Council were circulated to all members and are placed at Annexure attached. No comments were received from any member in the stipulated time period of a fortnight. He therefore proposed that the minutes may be deemed to have been confirmed as circulated.

AC 9.2.2 The Council approved the minutes with the amendment that the provision regarding academic procession, which now reads: “The procession shall be led by the Registrar followed by the Chief Guest and the Chancellor, VC, PVC and Members of BOG, BOM, AC and other statutory bodies.”

(Annexure:1)

AC 9.3 To Consider Matters Arising out of Minutes and Note the Action Taken on the Minutes of Eighth Meeting of Academic Council

AC 9.3.1 No issue was raised under matters arising out of minutes.

The AC perused the action taken and expressed satisfaction on compliance of its decisions.

The ATR is placed at Annexure 2.

(Annexure:2)

AC 9.4 To consider and approve the new courses introduced and other recommendations of BOS of MCA programme from Faculty of Computing & Information Technology to be offered in 2020-21 academic year.

S. No.	Faculty/ Department	Program Name	BOS Date
1	Faculty of Computing & Information Technology	MCA	27.02.2020

AC 9.4.1 The two year MCA Programme have been introduced and offered from 2020-21 academic year. The Council members recommended the minutes of the BOS of MCA programme and also approved the new courses to be offered. The details of the BOS of the programme is attached as Annexure.

(Annexure:3)

AC 9.5: To consider and approve offer of new academic programmes and the sanctioned strength in these programmes for the Academic session 2020-21.

AC 9.5.1 The Registrar informed the Council that in order to keep pace with newer requirements of knowledge economy, it is presented before the Academic Council the list of new programmes to be introduce in the Academic session 2020-21 with the sanctioned student's strength.

AC 9.5.2 The item was discussed in detail. The Academic Council while approving the offer of Under Graduate and Post Graduate programmes to be considered as a progressive step forward for strengthening the academic ambience in the University. The members observed that such programmes shall create a niche for the University.

AC 9.5.3 The Council advised that syllabi of reputed national and regional institutions may be used as point of reference for developing this programme.

AC 9.6 To consider and approve the name of research co-supervisor

AC 9.6.1 The Registrar informed the Council that one of our research scholars in Mathematics has requested the University to have a co-supervisor for faster progress. As stipulated in UGC Ordinance 2017, the University can assign co-supervisors, provided they have good record of research. The University has received proposal from Dr Ashish Kumar Pandey of IIT, Delhi. He has also communicated his No Objection to be research supervisors.

AC 9.6.2 While approving the name of Dr Ashish Kumar Pandey of IIT-D as co-supervisor of Mrs Rajni Gupta, the Academic Council desired that such a practice should be encouraged in the interest of the scholars.

AC.9.7 To consider and approve the Academic Calendar for the AY 2020-21.

AC 9.7.1 The Academic Council approved the Academic Calendar for the Academic Year 2020-21. These are placed at Annexure 3.

(Annexure:4)

AC 9.8 To consider and approve the format of Degree and Grade Cards

AC 9.8.1 The Registrar informed the Council that Usha Martin University began to offer different academic programmes beginning with academic session in August 2017. As reported earlier, so far one cohort of MBA passed out last year and in June 2020, students of 2nd batch of MBA, first batch of MCA, BBA, BCA and Diploma in civil, computer science, electrical, mechanical and mining engineering will pass out. These students have been pressuring the COE to give grade cards as well as degree certificates so that they could submit these to their employers. The Controller of Examinations has worked on three formats.

AC 9.8.2 The Academic Council was presented three formats. After detailed discussion, AC decided that the university should write (the following under the University name:” Established by Jharkhand Government under Usha Martin University Act, 2012” for Grade Card as well as the provisional degree. Members also desired that the UGC directive regarding conferring the degrees in bilingual format be followed.

AC 9.9 To consider and approve list of programs, eligibility criterion with maximum intake to be offered by all the Faculties/ Departments of the University for the Academic Year 2020-21.

AC 9.9.1 Programmes with eligibility criterion, maximum intake, and fees to be offered by all Faculties/Department of the University for the academic session 2020-21 were reviewed and approved.

(Annexure:5)

AC 9.10 To consider and approve the minutes of meeting of Library Advisory committee

AC 9.10.1 The academic council reviewed and approved the minutes of Library Advisory committee (LAC) meeting.

(Annexure:6)

AC 9.11 To report the book / journals and online data base procurement and expenditure statements of the University Library.

AC 9.11.1 A detailed report on the procurement of books, journals and online databases along with expenditure statements was presented by the Registrar. The members of the Academic Council reviewed the report for transparency and accountability.

(Annexure:7)

AC 9.12 To report the ODD & EVEN semester result of various programmes.

AC 9.12.1 The Academic Council received a report on ODD/EVEN semester result from various programmes. The Council noted the outcomes for discussion and future planning.

(Annexure:8)

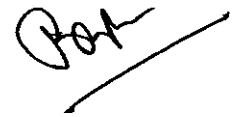
AC 9.13 Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

AC 9.13.1 No matter was raised under this item.

The Chair informed the Council that as per the UMU statutes, the tenure of the present Academic Council is about to be completed. He requested the members to propose the names of eminent and committed academics for the next Academic Council.

The Chair also thanked the present members for their immense contribution and valuable guidance in the formative years of the university, which has had a significant impact of the growth of UMU

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair



Mr. Binod Kispotta
Registrar

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Usha Martin University

CC to:

- **VC**
- **PVC**
- **External members**
- **All HOD's**
- **Special Invitees**