



GIRIJANANDA CHOWDHURY UNIVERSITY, ASSAM

Hatkhawapara Azara, Guwahati-781017

Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Interim Academic Council, Girijananda Chowdhury University, Assam (AC/2023/01) held on 13-01-2023 at 11:00 A.M. at the Conference Room, GMT building, Guwahati.

The following members were present in the meeting:

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| 1. Prof. Alak K Buragohain(Special Invitee) | 13. Dr. Dipankar Saha |
| 2. Prof. Kandarpa Das | 14. Dr. Damiki Laloo |
| 3. Mr. Jasodaranjan Das | 15. Dr. Bhanu P Sahu |
| 4. Ms. Kunki Chowdhury | 16. Dr. Minakshi Gogoi |
| 5. Dr. Thuleswar Nath | 17. Dr. Nilanjana Deb |
| 6. Dr. P Malairajan | 18. Dr. Anindita Bora |
| 7. Prof. K N Sarma | 19. Dr. Sandip Bordoloi |
| 8. Prof. Dilip Kr. Sarma | 20. Dr. Debarshi Mallick |
| 9. Dr. K. Gohain | 21. Dr. Ajanta Deka |
| 10. Dr. M R Singha | 22. Dr. Kajal Dutta |
| 11. Dr. Th. Shanta Kumar | 23. Ms. Kritanjali Jaiswal |
| 12. Dr. Abdul Baquee Ahmed | 24. Mr. Akashdeep Goswami |

At the outset, the Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members of the Interim Academic Council. Then, the Academic Council took up the items on the agenda.

Agenda No. 1: Appraisal by the Vice Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor apprised the members of the Academic Council about the activities that took place during the last two months since the University was formally launched. The following activities and action taken were reported for kind appraisal of the members. The Vice Chancellor informed that though the meetings of the Academic Council usually take place once every semester, initially, there might be more meetings, as the University is going through a transition period.

The academic activities of the University started after submission of the First Statute of the University to the Government of Assam on 22-12-2022. The interim Academic Council has been constituted to discharge the statutory responsibility of the Academic Council till it is formed after the First Statute is approved and notified by the Government of Assam.

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The university has already applied to ASTU for NOC and de-affiliation of GIMT, Guwahati and GIPS (Guwahati & Tezpur) w.e.f. 2023-2024.

The University has obtained membership of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) w.e.f. 24th November, 2022 and all necessary formalities have been observed in this regard.

As per decision of the meeting of the Governing body, special Self appraisal reports have been collected from all faculty members of the GIMT (Guwahati) and GIPS (Guwahati & Tezpur) to take a decision regarding incorporation of the faculty into Girijananda Chowdhury University.

Applications for promotion (under CAS, UGC/AICTE) of the faculty members for placing them in higher grade under GCU have also been invited and they are being processed.

Preparations for launching of the PhD programme in January, 2023 are almost done and it has been placed in the agenda today. Applications for Ph.D. Supervisors were invited. These will be placed before the Council for approval.

GIMT and GIPS faculty members were engaged in various University activities and during this period the following appointments were done in order to carry out various responsibilities:

1. Dean (Students' Affairs)
2. Coordinator/ Assistant Coordinator, Academic Coordination Cell
3. Chairman, Disciplinary Board
4. Chairperson, Internal Complaint Committee
5. Chairman, Admission Committee
6. Coordinator, UGC Cell
7. Chairman, Anti Ragging Committee
8. Director/ Asstt. Director, IQAC
9. Chairman, University Student Grievances Redressal Committee

An Academic Coordination Cell has been formed to coordinate with the academic departments for development of programmes to be launched and other academic works during the transition period.

Admission Committee for planning and execution of the admissions for the session 2023-2024 has already been formed and it has already started functioning. Faculty members have so far visited around 100 schools and colleges as a part of admission promotion. Target is to visit more schools/colleges by June/July.

The University shall participate in the Platinum Jubilee celebration of Netaji Vidyapith Railway Higher Secondary School, Maligaon during 21 -23 January 2023 as a part of promotional activity. Preparation for launching of new programmes in Humanities, Social Sciences, Life Sciences etc. are going on. It would be placed before the academic Council for approval. We are also planning to organize a Workshop to prepare a roadmap for Humanities & Social Sciences in tune with the NEP 2020.

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The NBA accreditation team visited the GIMT and GIMT and we are yet to receive the final results about accreditation.

The curriculum for BSc in MLT is ready and it would be placed before the Academic Council today.

The process of development of undergraduate curriculum in Engineering and Management are in progress. This is done in tune with the NEP 2020 and UGC undergraduate framework 2022. The Undergraduate Regulations for the University as per NEP 2020 will be ready soon.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/01: The Council noted the appraisal report of the Vice Chancellor and resolved to accept it.

Agenda No. 2: Approval of the Ph.D regulations including course work structure

The draft PhD Regulations prepared by the Academic Coordination Cell on the basis of latest UGC Regulations 2022 for PhD were placed before the Council.

Members discussed the Regulations and suggested various modifications and observation.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/02: After detailed discussion, the Academic Council resolved to approve the Girijananda Chowdhury University, Assam PhD Regulations 2023 and recommend to the Board of Management for consideration and approval. (Annexure I)

Agenda No. 3: Approval of the programmes to be launched from January 2023

Academic Coordinator placed before the Council proposals for launching various programmes to be launched from January, 2023 from various Academic Departments for consideration and approval.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/03: After detailed discussions, the Council resolved to approve the following degree and certificate programmes to launched from January, 2023.

- BSc in Medical Lab. Technology (BMLT) as per NEP 2020
- Certificate programs in Design and 3D Printing
- Certificate program in Welding
- Certificate program in computer hardware and networking
- Certificate program in embedded system and internet of things
- Certificate program in Animal handling and Experimental Techniques

The Council further resolved to recommend the above along with the proposed fee structure to the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

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Agenda No. 4: Curriculum and Regulations of the programmes to be launched from January 2023

The draft curriculum and Regulations of the programmes to be launched were placed before the Council by the Academic Coordinator for discussion and consideration.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/04: After detailed discussions, the Council resolved to approve the proposed syllabi and Regulations for the following programmes to be launched from January, 2023. (Annexure II, III, IV, V, VI & VII)

- **BSc in Medical Lab. Technology (BMLT)** as per NEP 2020
- **Certificate** programs in Design and 3D Printing
- **Certificate** program in Welding
- **Certificate** program in computer hardware and networking
- **Certificate** program in embedded system and internet of things
- **Certificate** program in Animal handling and Experimental Techniques

The Council further resolved to recommend the above along with the proposed fee structure to the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

Agenda No. 5: Launching of the Ph.D Program under various Schools/departments from January 2023

Academic Coordinator placed before the Council proposals for launching of PhD in various disciplines under GCU for consideration and approval. These programmes were already on offer in GIMT and GIPS under Assam Science and Technology University.

PhD programmes in Pharmacy, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering (including Computer Application), Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry, Business Administration.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/05: After detailed discussions, the Council resolved to approve the proposed PhD programmes to be launched from January, 2023. The Council further resolved to recommend the above along with the proposed fee structure to the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

Agenda No. 6: Approval of the Ph.D supervisors.

Academic Coordinator placed before the Council a list of proposed PhD supervisors in various disciplines under GCU for consideration and approval of the Academic Council. Many of the proposed PhD supervisors under GCU were already recognized by ASTU and other universities

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and supervised PhD scholars. The new names have been shortlisted as per UGC Regulations for PhD 2022.

Resolution: AC/2023/01/06: After detailed discussions, the Council resolved to approve the list of proposed PhD supervisors w.e.f 2023. **The Council further resolved that all eligible professors and associate professors of GCU (below 62 years) will be automatically recognized as research supervisor for PhD programmes.** Council resolved to recommend the above along with the list of Supervisors to the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

Eligible list of PhD Supervisors as per application:

Sl. No	Name	Designation	Discipline
1.	Dr. S. Robert Ravi	Professor	Civil Engineering
2.	Dr. Snehal kaushik	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering
3.	Dr. Kankan Kishor Pathak	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering
4.	Dr. Debarshi Mallick	Associate Professor & HoD	Mechanical Engineering
5.	Dr. Sangeeta Das	Assistant Professor	Mechanical Engineering
6.	Dr. Thokchom Shanta Kumar	Associate Professor & HOD	Computer Science and Engineering
7.	Dr. Minakshi Gogoi	Associate Professor	Computer Science and Engineering
8.	Dr. Sandip Bordoloi	Associate Professor	Electrical Engineering
9.	Dr. Anindita Bora	Associate Professor	Electronics and Communication Engineering
10.	Dr. Abdul Baquee Ahmed	Professor	Pharmaceutics
11.	Dr. Damiki Laloo	Associate Professor	Pharmacognosy
12.	Dr. Bhanu Pratap Sahu	Associate Professor	Pharmaceutics
13.	Dr. Dipankar Saha	Associate Professor	Pharmacology
14.	Dr. Nikhil Biswas	Assistant Professor	Pharmaceutics

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15.	Dr. Trishna Das	Associate Professor	Pharmacognosy
16.	Dr. Jun Moni Kalita	Associate Professor	Pharmaceutical Chemistry
17.	Dr. Tapash Chakraborty	Assistant Professor	Pharmaceutics
18.	Dr. Smriti Rekha Chanda Das	Associate Professor	Pharmaceutical Chemistry
19.	Dr. Sheikh Sofiur Rahman	Assistant Professor	Pharmaceutics
20.	Dr. Anupam Sarma	Assistant Professor	Pharmaceutics
21.	Dr. Ajanta Deka	Assistant Professor & HOD (I/c)	Physics
22.	Dr. Lipi Goswami	Assistant Professor	Physics
23.	Dr. Kajal Dutta	Assistant Professor & (HoD Incharge)	Chemistry
24.	Dr. Swarnali Pathak	Assistant Professor	Chemistry
25.	Dr. Madhumita Mahanta	Assistant Professor	Mathematics
26.	Dr. Priyanka Pratim Baruah	Assistant Professor & Co-ordinator of Examinations	Mathematics
27.	Dr. Moytri Sarmah	Assistant Professor	Mathematics
28.	Dr. Nilanjana Deb	Associate Professor	Business Administration
29.	Dr. Sampurna Bhuyan	Assistant Professor	Business Administration

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

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**Registrar
Member Secretary**

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**Vice Chancellor
Chairman**