

17th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL



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TIME : 2:30 P.M

Venue: III Floor, Syndicate Hall ,Administrative Building
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 17th ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON
8th OCTOBER 2021 AT 2.30 p.m.

Members Attended:

S.No	Name of the Members	Position
1	Prof.K.Parthasarathy Vice Chancellor Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet Chennai - 600 015	Chairman
2	Dr. P. Thiyagarajan (Chairperson - Faculty of Extension Education) Professor & Director School of Continuing Education Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
3	Dr. M. V. Sudhakaran (Chairperson - Faculty of Social Sciences) Professor & Director School of Social Sciences Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
4	Dr. M. Manivannan (Chairperson - Faculty of Education) Professor & Director School of Education Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
5	Dr.S. Subramanian (Chairperson - Faculty of Management Studies) Professor & Director School of Management Studies Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
6	Dr.T. Ravimanickam (Chairperson i/c - Faculty of Science) Associate Professor & Director i/c School of Sciences Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member

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7	Dr. M. Vaiyapurai Assistant Professor School of Tamil and Cultural Studies Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
8	Dr. P. Chitra Assistant Professor School of Journalism & New Media Studies Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
9	Dr. D. Thirumalraja Assistant Professor School of Social Science Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
10	Dr. N. Saranya Devi Assistant Professor School of Management Studies Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
11	Dr. B. Anupama Devi Assistant Professor School of Special Education & Rehabilitation Tamil Nadu Open University Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015	Member
12	Dr. E. Bhaskaran Additional Director (FAC) Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute, Parthasarathy Koil Street SIDCO Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032	Member
13	Dr. K. Paneerselvam Regional Director IGNOU Regional Centre Periyar Thidal, 84/1EVK Sampath Salai Vepery, Chennai - 600 007	Member
14	Prof. M. Ponnusamy Dean, The Institute of Cost Accountants of India No. 4, Montieth Lane, Egmore Chennai - 600 008	Member
15	Dr. S. Arulchelvan (Dean, Anna University College of Engineering, Villupuram) Associate Professor Department of Media Studies, & Director, Centre for Development of Tamil in Engineering and Technology, Anna University, Guindy Chennai - 600 025	Member

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S.No	Name of the Members	Position
16	Mr. R.R. Padmanabhan Director, EXIM Academy NO:71/32, Race View Towers, Anna Salai, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032	Member
17	Dr. K. Rathnakumar Registrar, Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015	Ex-Officio Member-Secretary

The Academic Council Members Dr. M. Vaiyapuri, Dr. E. Bhaskaran, Prof. M. Ponnusamy and Mr. R.R. Padmanabhan attended through virtual platform. The other Academic Council Members Dr. S. Balasubramanian, Poet. Er. Muthamizh Virumbi, Dr. R. Ravanan, Thiru. Sudhir Lodha and Mrs. Andal Priyadarshini could not attend the meeting. The Chairman of the Academic Council welcomed the members.

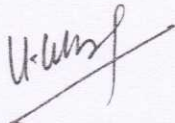
The Chairman explained each Agenda item and the members moved their respective items and after due deliberations, the following resolutions are arrived for further proceedings.

ITEM NO.2021-17.01

TO CONSIDER INTRODUCTION OF LATERAL ENTRY TO B.COM. SECOND YEAR PROGRAMME IN TNOU FROM ACADEMIC YEAR AY 2021-2022

RESOLVED THAT the introduction of lateral entry to the students of three years Diploma holders in Diploma in Commercial Practice and Diploma in Commercial & Computer Practice into B.Com. second year programme as per the announcement in the Tamil Nadu Assembly by the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education in Tamil Nadu Open University from Academic Year 2021-2022 **BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED**, subject to the proposed Government Order in this regard.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that the candidates who possess three years Diploma in Commercial Practice and Diploma in Commercial & Computer Practice be admitted directly into the second year of B.Com degree in Tamil Nadu Open University and the tuition fee which is followed for the three years B.Com programme at present be fixed



to the lateral entry students of B.Com degree during their second and third year of study and the rest of fee viz., application processing fee, prospectus fee, postal fee shall be collected on par with three years B.Com degree students.

ITEM NO.2021-17.02

TO INFORM TNOU ENTERED MoUs WITH THE FOLLOWING TWO COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOR OFFERING VOCATIONAL DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

- (i) Karida Community College, Kovilpatti
- (ii) Sis Klein Community College, Porayar

RESOLVED THAT the Tamil Nadu Open University entered MoUs with the following two Community Colleges for offering following Vocational Diploma Programmes as detailed in Annexure - 2 Page Nos. 7 to 32 in the Agenda Notes, for a period of 3 years BE NOTED AND RECORDED.

S.No.	Name of the Community College	Programme Approved
1.	Karida Community College, Kovilpatti	Vocational Diploma in Early Childhood Care & Education
2.	Sis. Klein Community College, Porayar	i. Vocational Diploma in General Duty Assistant ii. Vocational Diploma in Indesign

ITEM NO. 2021-17.03

TO INFORM TNOU ENTERED MoU WITH MYLAI THIRUVALLUVAR TAMIL SANGAM, CHENNAI FOR IMPLEMENTING THE ACTIVITIES OF "THIRUVALLUVAR CHAIR" FROM OCTOBER 2021 ONWARDS

RESOLVED THAT the School of Tamil and Cultural Studies, Tamil Nadu Open University entered MoU with the Mylai Thiruvalluvar Tamil Sangam, Chennai for jointly implementing the activities of "Thiruvalluvar Chair" from October 2021 onwards, as given in Annexure-3 Page Nos. 33 to 42 in the Agenda Notes, for a period of 3 years BE NOTED AND RECORDED.

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ITEM NO. 2021-17.04

TO INFORM TNOU ENTERED MoU WITH ASPIRE COLLEGE OF EXCELLENCE, CHENNAI AS LEARNER SUPPORT CENTRE - WORK CENTRE FOR B.A. & M.A. ISLAMIC STUDIES FROM AY 2021-2022

RESOLVED THAT the Students Support Sevices Division, Tamil Nadu Open University entered into MoU with Aspire College of Excellence, Chennai as Learner Support Centre - Work Centre for B.A. & M.A. Islamic Studies from Academic Year 2021-2022 onwards, as given in Annexure-4 Page Nos. 43 to 52 in the Agenda Notes, for a period of 3 years BE NOTED AND RECORDED.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.05

TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL OF COMMONWEALTH OF LEARNING (C-O-L), CANADA FOR HAVING MoU BETWEEN COL AND TNOU

RESOLVED THAT the proposal of Commonwealth of Learning (C-O-L) Canada for having MoU between Commonwealth of Learning and Tamil Nadu Open University as given in the Annexure-5 Page Nos. 53 to 68 in the Agenda Notes BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the MoU may be signed between the (Centre for Online Learning and Centre for Electronic Media Production and Research), Tamil Nadu Open University and Commonwealth of Learning, Canada for adoption of the courses on COL's short course platform (<https://colcommons.org/>) through information sharing and knowledge delivery and capacity building from the Academic Year 2021-2022, BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED by authorizing the Vice Chancellor for further proceedings in this regard.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.06

TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FACULTY MEMBERS OF TNOU WITH TEAMLEASE EDITECH LTD., MUMBAI FOR LAUNCHING OF APPRENTICESHIP / INTERNSHIP EMBEDDED DEGREE PROGRAMMES IN B.B.A. MARKETING MANAGEMENT

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting of the faculty members of TNOU with Teamlease Editech Ltd., Mumbai for launching of apprenticeship / internship

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embedded degree programme in B.B.A. Marketing Management as given in the Annexure-6 Page Nos. 69 to 80 in the Agenda Notes BE DEFERRED.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.07

TO CONSIDER NOMINATION OF MEMBERS FOR THE RE-CONSTITUTION OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL OF TNOU

RESOLVED THAT the nomination of the following ten members of the Re-Constitution of Academic Council of TNOU under *Sec 23(1) Class-II (b), other members - "Not more than ten persons, who are not employees of the University, co-opted by the Academic Council for their Special Knowledge, including representatives of Employer's Organisation, industries, trade and commerce, academic and professional organizations, communication field etc"* BE CONSIDERED AND NOMINATED with effect from the forenoon of 09.10.2021 upto afternoon of 08.10.2024 for a period of three years.

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3	Dr. K. P. Dinakaran, M.D Physician., (MOS) PGP in Diabetology Jhon Hopkins University USA, PG Diploma in Clinical Endo Crinology & Diabetology, RCP., U.K. MD Qualigen Diagnostics A Unit of Kinam Medical Care Qualigen Diagnostics Venture Park, 4/410 Rajiv Gandhi Salai Thooraipakkam Chennai - 600 097 Mobile: 95001 29838 / 98404 98400 e-mail: dinak76@gmail.com
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5	<p>Dr. R. Thilagaraj Director (Academics) Center of Excellence in Digital Forensics 176, Burma Colony, 5th Cross Street Perungudi, Chennai - 600 096 Mobile: 72994 55563 / Phone: 044-4203 0387 e-mail: courses@coedf.org</p>
6	<p>Dr. Md. Nayeemur Rahman Vice Chairman Tamil Nadu Urdu Academy Department of Higher Education Government of Tamil Nadu 14/42, Puram Prakash Road Balaji Nagar, Royapettah Chennai - 600 014 Mobile: 98849 48688 e-mail: tnstateurduacademy.com/rahmanmn@gmail.com Phone: 044-2813 1115/2952 0049</p>
7	<p>Dr. P. Subburethina Bharathi Assistant General Manager Kauvery Hospital No.6, Royal Road, Cantonment Tiruchirappalli - 620 001 <u>Residence:</u> "Bharathi Nambi Nilayam" No.6, Circuit House Main Road TVS Tollgate Tiruchirappalli - 620 020 Mobile: 94420 21646 / 96009 14422 / 63857 96716 e-mail:</p>
8	<p>Thiru. P. Sanjai Gandhi Advocate (Nodal Officer, Geographical Indication Registered Product of Tamil Nadu, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Intellectual Property Rights Attorney, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Intellectual Property Rights Attorney Tamil Nadu Veterinary Animal Science University) BBC Villa Complex, Door No. 66, 6th Floor, Prakasam Salai Broadway, Chennai - 600 104 Mobile: 98406 22474 e-mail: iprsanjaigandhi@gmail.com</p>
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10	<p>Dr. T. Balasaravanan Associate Professor & Head Department of Economics SIVET College Gowrivakkam Chennai - 600 073 Mobile: 97890 65747 e-mail: t_balasaravanan@yahoo.com</p>

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FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the tenure of the the following Ex-Officio Members in the re-constituted Academic Council are being continued with effect from the forenoon of 09.10.2021 under *Sec 23(1) Class-I Ex-Officio Members*. The following are the category of the Ex-Officio members:

- (a) The Chancellor
- (b) The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education
- (c) The Vice Chancellor
- (d) All Directors of TNOU
- (e) Librarian of TNOU

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Members under Sec 23(1) Class-II (a), - Other Members (Not more than Six Teachers other than Directors to be nominated by the Syndicate on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor), **BE Nominated** in the ensuing Syndicate Meeting on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor for three years tenure with retrospective effect from the forenoon of 09.10.2021.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.08

TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT TNOU'S EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY WITH DISABILITIES AS PER SECTION 21 OF THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (RPwD)

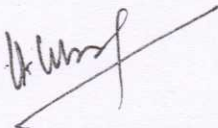
RESOLVED THAT the draft TNOU's Equal Opportunity Policy with Disabilities as per section 21 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) as given in the Annexure-7 Page Nos. 81 to 98 in the Agenda Notes **BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED**.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chairperson of the Faculty of Education be directed to take appropriate action to register with the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities and publish in TNOU website.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.09

TO CONSIDER OFFERING 2 YEARS MCA PROGRAMME IN TNOU WITH THE APPROVAL OF AICTE, NEW DELHI FROM AY 2022-2023

RESOLVED THAT the offering 2 years MCA programme through ODL & OL modes in Tamil Nadu Open University with the approval of All India Council for Technical



Education (AICTE) and University Grand Commission (UGC) from Academic Year 2022-2023 BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the School of Computer Science be authorized to take all necessary steps to get the approval of AICTE and UGC.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.10

TO CONSIDER MINUTES OF MEETING OF AD-HOC BOARD OF STUDIES ON SOCIAL SCIENCES FOR OFFERING SHORT TERM COURSE IN SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME IN SOCIAL JUSTICE HELD ON 05.10.2021

RESOLVED THAT minutes of the meeting of the Ad-hoc Board of Studies on Social Science for offering Short Term Course in Social Justice and Certificate Programme in Social Justice held on 05.10.2021, from the Academic Year 2021-2022, as given in the Annexure-8 Page Nos.99 to 108 in the Agenda Notes BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.11

TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL OF ADMITTING STUDENTS IN PG PROGRAMMES AND ALSO INTO THE ALLIED PROGRAMMES IN UG & PG PROGRAMMES AT LEARNER SUPPORT CENTERS (GOVERNMENT ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGES) OF TNOU IN ADDITION TO THE APPROVED EXISTING UG & PG PROGRAMMES

RESOLVED THAT the proposal of admitting students in PG programmes and also into the allied UG & PG programmes at Learner Support Centres (All Government Arts & Science Colleges in Tamil Nadu) of Tamil Nadu Open University in addition to the approved existing UG & PG programmes in accordance with the UGC (ODL & OL) Regulations - 2020 para 17(1) and Annexure - VIII BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the same policy may also be adopted to the Learner Support Service Centres (LSC) at Government aided and un-aided colleges in Tamil Nadu from the Academic Year 2021-2022.

ITEM NO. 2021-17.12

TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR HAVING MoU BETWEEN GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE, GANDHIGRAM, AND CENTRE FOR EMPR, TNOU

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for having MoU between Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram, and Centre for Electronic Media Production & Research [CEMPR], TNOU, as given in the Annexure-10 Page Nos.121 to 126 BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Vice Chancellor BE AUTHORIZED for signing the MoU between Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram and CEMPR, TNOU.

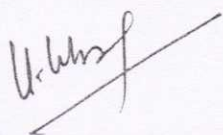
ITEM NO. 2021-17.13

TO CONSIDER GRANT OF ONE TIME OPPORTUNITY FOR BACKLOG LEARNERS ADMITTED SINCE 2003 TO COMPLETE THE PROGRAMMES OF STUDY BY TAKING FORTHCOMING DECEMBER 2021 TERM-END EXAMINATIONS

RESOLVED THAT all the students who were admitted in different programmes of TNOU from 2003 to 2012 be given one more chance by taking up the forthcoming December 2021 Term End Examinations in completing their Certificate/ Diploma / Vocational Diploma / PG Diploma / UG / PG programme(s) through ODL of TNOU by collecting a nominal tracing fee of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred only) in the case of all Certificate / Diploma / Vocational Diploma / Post Graduate Diploma and Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) in the case of all Under Graduate / Post Graduate Programmes, besides their routine fee prescribed by TNOU BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT based on the students requests the SLMs of the respective Programmes in the respective Regulations shall be provided by the Material Production and Distribution Division at 50% discount of the book cost.

Earlier in the meeting, the Chairman brought to the knowledge of the members that the Tamil Nadu Open University entered MoU with BSA Training Academic Pvt. Ltd., for offering the UG and PG programmes, without sharing the learner's fee (i.e. 100% to TNOU), with effect from the Academic Year 2021-2022 as per the approval of

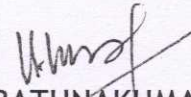


16th Academic Council Item No. 2021-16.35 for admitting the employees working in the industries situated in and around Chennai. In accordance with the MoU, the BSA Training Academic Pvt. Ltd., admitted a total of 3,851 learners and remitted 1st Qtr. Payment of Rs. 51,12,400/- (Rupees fifty one lakh twelve thousand and four hundred only) to the following degree programmes.

Sl.No	Programme	Medium	Learners Admitted
1	B.A. English	English	2539
2	B.B.A.	Tamil	1048
3	B.B.A.	English	264
Total			3851

All the members of the Academic Council unanimously appreciated and placed on records that the sincere efforts jointly taken by the Vice Chancellor Prof.K.Parthasarathy and the BSA Training Academic Pvt. Ltd., for having admitted such huge number (3851 Learners) within a short duration, in the two decade history of Tamil Nadu Open University.

The meeting came to end at 3.45 p.m. with Vote of Thanks delivered by the Chairman.


(K. RATHNAKUMAR)
Ex-Officio Member-Secretary


(K. PARTHASARATHY)
Chairman