# SREE SANKARACHARYA UNIVERSITY OF SANSKRIT, KALADY

# Confirmed Minutes of the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held at 11.00 A.M. on 28.05.2015 at University Head Quarters, Kalady

# **Members Present:**

1	Dr.M.C.Dileepkumar, Vice-Chancellor	-	Sd/-
2	Dr.Sucheta Nair, Pro-Vice-Chancellor	-	Sd/-
3	Dr.T.P.Raveendran, Registrar	-	Sd/-
4	Dr.K.S.Ravikumar, HOD, Malayalam	-	Sd/-
5	Dr.C.S.Sasikumar, Asso.Professor, Trivandrum	-	Sd/-
6	Dr.R.D.Sunil Kumar, Dept. of Sanskrit Vyakarana	-	Sd/-
7	Dr.V.G.Gopalakrishnan, Associate Professor, Dept. of Hindi	-	Sd/-
8	Dr.Dharmarajan P.K.,, HOD, Dept. of Sanskrit Sahitya	-	Sd/-
9	Dr.K.V.Nakulan, HOD, Urdu	-	Sd/-
10	Dr.K.A.Ravindran, HOD, Vedic Studies	-	Sd/-
11	Dr.Dilip K.G., HOD, Sociology	-	Sd/-
12	Dr.G.Radhakrishna Kurup, Dean, Faculty of Arts & Sciences	-	Sd/-
13	Dr.H.Sylaja, HOD, Dept. of Psychology	-	Sd/-
14	Dr.B.Chandrika, HOD, Sanskrit Vedanta	-	Sd/-
15	Dr.V.K.Bhavani, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Skt.Nyaya	-	Sd/-
16	Dr.S.Radha, Faculty of Sanskrit Literature	-	Sd/-
17	Dr.V.K.Shylaja, Dean, Faculty of Sanskrit Vyakarana	-	Sd/-
18	Dr.A.Girija, Asso Professor, Dept. of Skt.Vyakarana	-	Sd/-
19	Dr.S.Vijayakumari, HOD, Sanskrit General	-	Sd/-
20	Dr.Jacob Thomas Puthuppallil, Dean, Faculty of Other Sanskrit Studies	-	Sd/-
21	Prof.P.Geetha, Dean, Faculty of Foreign Languages	-	Sd/-
22	Dr.D.Nessy, Rtd. Professor of Philosophy, Kerala University	-	Sd/-
23	Dr.N.Vijayamohanan Pillai, Dept. of Manuscriptology, SSUS, Kalady	-	Sd/-
24	Dr.S.Peerukannu, Dean of Skt.Nyaya	-	Sd/-
25	Sri.T.G.Jyothilal, Dept. of Painting	-	Sd/-
26	Dr.Jolly Jacob, Asso. Professor, Mar Ivanius College, Trivandrum	-	Sd/-
27	Dr.C.J.Presannakumari, Member Syndicate	-	Sd/-
28	Dr.K.Chandrasekharan Nair, Dept. of Sanskrit Vyakarana	-	Sd/-
29	Prof.Pius Malekandathil, Prof. of History, JNU, New Delhi	-	Sd/-
30	Dr.Lancelet T.S., Member Syndicate & HOD, Geography	-	Sd/-
31	Prof.K.T.Madhavan, Member Syndicate	-	Sd/-
32	Sri.Linto P.Antu, Student member of Syndicate	-	Sd/-
33	Sri.K.K.Krishnakumar, Dept. of Theatre	-	Sd/-
34	Dr.M.I.Joseph, Asso. Prof., Dept. of Psychology	-	Sd/-
35	Dr.Jose Antony, HOD, MSW	-	Sd/-
36	Dr.T.Vasudevan, Comp.Literature	-	Sd/-
37	Dr.Dhinu M.R., HOD, Dept. of Physical Education	-	Sd/-
38	Dr.N.J.Francis, HOD, History	-	Sd/-
39	Smt.Anjumol Babu, Students Representative	-	Sd/-

40	Dr.C.Venugopalan Nair, HOD, Dept. of Dance	-	Sd/-
41	Sri.Abdu Rahman K.K., Chairman, University Union	-	Sd/-
42	Dr.K.G.Kumary, HOD, Sanskrit Nyaya	-	Sd/-
43	Dr.Preethy K., HOD, Dept. of Music	-	Sd/-
44	Dr.Bindu R., Asst. Professor, Dept. of English	-	Sd/-
45	Dr.P.Syamala Devi, Dean, Faculty of Indian Metaphysics	-	Sd/-
46	Prof.N.Prasantha Kumar, Member Syndicate & HOD, English	-	Sd/-
47	Dr.P.Ravi, HOD, Dept. of Hindi	-	Sd/-

# The 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council started with a silent prayer.

# I. Introduction by the Chair

The Vice Chancellor extended warm welcome to all members to the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council and the chair introduced newly nominated Syndicate Member Dr. Jacob Thomas Puthuppallil, Associate Professor, Faculty of Other Sanskrit Studies to the Academic Council and also reported the extension given to Sri.Linto P.Antu as student member of Syndicate.

# **Report of the Vice-Chancellor before the Academic Council**

# My dear Colleagues,

Good morning and welcome to you all to the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council. The last meeting of the Academic Council was held on 05-01-2015 and during the span of the last 5 months the University could move ahead at academic and infrastructural levels.

First of all I wish to pay tribute to all the high personalities who departed from this world but still live amongst us to shower inspiration and blessings. I cannot go without naming Padmasree Dr.K. Rajagopalan, former Dean, Faculty of Other Sanskrit Studies. Following are the major events to note for your attention.

- 1. The Hon'ble Chancellor and the Governor of Kerala is pleased to nominate Dr. Jacob Thomas Puthuppallil, HOD Ayurveda and Dean, Faculty other Sanskrit Studies as member Syndicate from among the Deans and Sri. Linto P. Antu, Second Semester M.A Philosophy student has been re-nominated as nominee of the students in the Syndicate.
- Sree Sankara Jayanthi Celebrations 2015 were celebrated in a befitting manner from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2015 in the University. Hon'ble Chancellor and Governor of Kerala Justice P. Sathasivam was the Chief Guest.
- 3. For facilitating preparedness of Indian campuses for Global Excellence, Campus Preparedness Award 2015 was awarded to our University by the Higher Education Forum, Chennai.

- 4. In view of 16<sup>th</sup> World Sanskrit Conference at Bangkok, a preliminary meeting was held on 04-05-2015 at Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi and I have participated in the meeting on behalf of the University and furnished a few proposals for the consideration of Central Government assistance.
- 5. The University has taken steps to amend the Statutes and the amendment proposals are under the scrutiny of the Sub Committee of the Syndicate constituted for this purpose.
- 6. The University has received a financial assistance of Rs. 20 crores for undertaking of academic and administrative reforms under RUSA project.
- 7. An inspection team of the Council of Architects visited our Regional Centre at Koyilandy to evaluate the facilities available at the site for our proposed college of architecture.
- 8. The Registrar and the Finance Officer of the University visited UGC in connection with a Meeting at UGC Office, New Delhi to finalize the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Plan Fund utilization of the University. They accomplished the mission successfully.
- 9. Our students have written a new story in the World of Art by becoming runners up in the South Zone Inter University Youth Festival held at Thumkoor University. They have given proud moments for the whole University community by their excellent performance.

# **IQAC Meeting**

The IQAC after NAAC accreditation was reconstituted as per the UGC guidelines and its first meeting was held on 12.01.2015. Many creative suggestions had come up in the meeting for quality enhancement in the academic and the administrative areas. The onus is on us that how far we can go forth to implement the recommendations of the cell for quality upgradation of the University.

# **Emerging Kerala Initiatives**

The University represented in the Kerala State Higher Education Council's Special drivea meeting of NRK's on the sidelines of 'Emerging Kerala initiatives' on 14.01.2015 at Thiruvananthapuram and had a discussion with the non-resident Keralites in order to involve them in the Development of academic sphere of Kerala State.

# Participation of the University in National Games

The University has joined in the statewide programme 'Run Kerala Run' organized by the State Government on 20-01-2015 to spread the message of National Games and Sportsman spirit among ordinary people. In co-ordination with the Kalady Grama Panchayath under the leadership of the Vice-Chancellor, the University community took part in the Run with exhilarating mood. Moreover, the students and teachers of the Physical Education Department have actively

participated as volunteer and officials in the 35<sup>th</sup> National Games held at various places in the State.

### **Academic Block Inauguration**

The newly constructed Academic Block (vertical extension) at Regional Centre, Thiruvananthapuram was inaugurated by Sri. V.S. Sivakumar, the Minister for Health and Devaswom on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

#### **International School of Sree Sankaracharya Studies**

After the inception of the School, a three day national workshop from 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2015 was organized as its first programme and Dr. Babu Sebastian, Vice-Chancellor of M.G. University was the Chief Guest of the function. Two day colloquium was also organized by the School and formulated the guidelines for Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) and took a decision to launch Sankara Portal.

### **National Youth Festival**

The students of the University participated in the National Youth Festival held at Ahalya Devi University, Indoor and bagged prizes for five items out of the seven items they contested. On their return after the colourful promising win, the University organized a function to honour the winners in a befitting manner.

# **E-Governance**

It is my pleasure to note that the Government has included our University in the e-governance programme being implemented statewide, and administration sanction is received for implementing the project in the University with a budget provision of Rs. 76,64,894/-. We hope that the project could be implemented soon and will be a paradigm shift in the governance of the University.

# Inauguration of the Ayyankali Centre for Dalit Studies

The Centre was inaugurated by the popular social worker Smt. C.K. Janu on 24-02-2015 at Regional Cenre, Tirur and it is our pleasure to note that all the Centres of studies are functioning well.

## **Development of Regional Centre, Thuravoor**

After a consistent and concerted effort taken by the University, Sri. Arif A.M., M.L.A., Aroor constituency has consented to help the University for acquiring 6 acres of land in Thuravoor Grama Panchayath and also offered financial assistance from the MLA's Asset Development Fund. It is an inspiring turning point in our effort to strengthen Regional Centres.

As per our request, I.T.D. (Information Technology Department, Govt. of Kerala) informed us to take up the proposal of starting technology business incubator centre in the University in the financial year 2015-16

I wish to invite you all for constructive discussions based on the agenda of the meeting.

# **II.** Items for ratification

# Item No.1

### Zero Semester Admission Granted – (No.Acd.B2/502/2011/SSUS)

The Academic Council discussed the matter in detail and resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having granted Zero Semester Admission to :

- 1. Smt.Biji B.S., 1<sup>st</sup> Semester M.P.Ed., Main Centre, Kalady
- 2. Sri.Promod T.S., 1<sup>st</sup> Semester M.A. Malayalam, Regional Centre, Panmana

### Item No.2

# Regulation of MFA Programme – (No.Acd.B1/8850/SSUS/2012)

The Academic Council discussed the matter in detail and resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having implemented the MFA Regulation from the Academic Year 2015-16 onwards vide U.O.No.Acd.B1/8850/SSUS/2012 dated 21.04.2015 as a single programme with three specializations as Painting, Mural Painting and Sculpture. However, the error crept in the regulation has to be corrected. Also resolved to entrust Dr.M.I.Joseph and Sri.M.J.George to make necessary grammatical and clerical corrections in the Regulation.

# III. Reporting of

### Item No.3

# Approval of M.A. Regulation – (No.Acd.C1/2938/2012/SSUS)

The Academic Council noted the report.

# **IV. Items for consideration and approval**

### Item No.4

Centre for Sanskrit Vedic Studies – Change of Faculty from Faculty of Indian Metaphysics to Faculty of Sanskrit Literature– reg. (No.Acd.B1/13402/SSUS/2014)

The Academic Council resolved to maintain the statusquo and refer the matter to the next meeting of the Academic Council for detailed discussion. The Vice Chancellor put on record an appreciation to Centre for Vedic Studies for the timely completion of the documentation of Samaveda Chanting Project.

### Item No.5

# Restructured syllabus for B.A. Programme – Approval of minutes of Faculty of Indian Logic held on 11.05.2015 – reg. (No.Acd.B13997/2009/SSUS)

Before considering this item, the Academic Council approved the draft regulation of B.A. Programme modified in tune with the recommendations of Prof.Hridayakumari Commission report and also directed to modify the syllabus in accordance with the regulation.

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sanskrit Nyaya held on 11.05.2015 and resolved to approve the Restructured syllabus of the B.A. Programme (Appended as Annexure I) subject to the condition that it should be modified in par with the new BA regulation.

### Item No.6

# Approval of the minutes of Faculty of Sanskrit Literature held on 20.04.2015 and 12.05.2015 – Restructured syllabus for B.A. Sanskrit Sahitya & Sanskrit General and new syllabus for B.A. Sanskrit & Information Technology – (No.Acd.B1/4310/08/SSUS)

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sanskrit Sahitya and Sanskrit General held on 20.04.2015 and 12.05.2015 respectively and resolved to approve the Restructured Syllabus for B.A. programmes in Sanskrit Sahitya & Sanskrit General and the new syllabus for B.A. Sanskrit & Information Technology. (Appended as Annexure II) subject to the condition that it should be modified in par with the new BA regulation.

# Item No.7

# Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sanskrit Vedanta and the Faculty of Indian Metaphysics held on 19.12.2014 - Approval of the restructured syllabus for B.A. Programme in Sanskrit Vedanta from 2015 admission onwards – reg. (No.Acd.B1/1690/2001/SSUS)

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sanskrit Vedanta held on 19.12.2014 and resolved to approve the restructured syllabus for B.A. programme in Sanskrit Vedanta from 2015 Admission onwards. (Appended as Annexure III) subject to the condition that it should also be modified in par with the new BA regulation.

# Item No.8

# Approval of the minutes of the Faculty of Indian Languages held on 03.03.2015& 04.05.2015 – reg. (No.Acd.B1/3723/2009)

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meetings of the Board of Studies in Malayalam and Hindi held on 03.03.2015 and 04.05.2015 respectively and resolved to approve the restructured syllabus and the list of text books for additional languages for B.A. programme as per the norms of Hridayakumari Commission. (Appended as Annexure IV)

# V. Resolution

### Item No.9

വകുപ്പ് അദ്ധ്യക്ഷന്മാരുടെ കാലപരിധി 3 വർഷമായി നിജപ്പെടുത്തി റൊട്ടേഷൻ സംവിധാനം നടപ്പിലാക്കുന്നത് സംബന്ധിച്ച് ഡോ.പി.കെ.ധർമ്മരാജൻ അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പ്രമേയം

അക്കാദമിക് കൗൺസിൽ യോഗം പ്രസ്തുത വിഷയം ചർച്ച ചെയ്യുകയും പ്രമേയം ഐക്യകണ്ഠേന അംഗീകരിക്കുവാൻ തീരുമാനിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തു.

# **Supplementary Agenda:**

### **Items for consideration and approval**

#### Item No.1

# Awarding of M.Phil. Degree to Smt.Beena Madambath & Smt.Nimisha P.S. – reg. (No.ED/3757/2012/SSUS)

The Academic Council discussed the matter in detail and resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having granted permission to conduct viva-voce examination to M.Phil. students viz. Smt.Beena Madambath and Smt.Nimisha P.S. Also resolved to approve the proposal for awarding M.Phil. Degree to these students.

#### Item No.2

# Awarding of Degrees – MSW & M.Phil. Examination conducted on April 2014 and January 2015 respectively - reg. (No.ED/11297/2012/SSUS)

The Academic Council resolved to approve the proposal for awarding of Degrees by the University in:

- 1. MSW after Forth semester Examination in April 2014
- 2. M.Phil. on the basis of Examinations in January 2015

### Item No.3

# *Implementing Modification on Prof. Hridayakumari Committee – Reg.* (No.Acd.C2/13423/Modification-CBCSS/SSUS/12)

The Academic Council discussed the matter in detail and resolved to approve the draft regulations prepared by a workshop based on the proposal of Prof. Hridayakumari Committee. (Appended as Annexure V)

### Item No.4

# Approval of the Minutes of the Faculty of Other Sanskrit Studies held on 10.12.2014 – Regulations, Scheme & Syllabus of One Year Diploma Programme in Ayurveda Panchakarma and International Spa Therapy – reg. (No.Acd.B1/2896/2002/SSUS)

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Ayurveda and the meeting of the Faculty of Other Sanskrit Studies held on 04.12.2014 and 10.12.2014 respectively and resolved to approve the Regulations, Scheme & Syllabus of One Year Diploma Programme in Ayurveda Panchakarma and International Spa Therapy. (Appended as Annexure VI)

#### Item No.5

# Restructured Syllabus for B.A. Programme – Approval of the Minutes of the Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences held on 18.05.2015 – reg. (No. Acd.B1/3829/2009/SSUS)

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Music, Dance, Sociology and Painting held on 29.04.2015, 05.05.2015, 08.05.2015 and 11.05.2015 respectively & meeting of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences held on 18.05.2015 and resolved to:

- 1. Approve the syllabus of B.A. programme in Music from 2015 admission onwards and to approve the Syllabus for an optional course in M.Phil. Programme.
- 2. Approve the syllabus of B.A. programme in Mohiniyattom and Bharathanatyam (Department of Dance)
- Approve the syllabus and scheme of new course on Environmental Studies for all UG programmes. (Department of Sociology)
- 4. Approve the Regulations and Syllabi of MFA programme (Department of Painting)

# **Resolution**

# Item No.1

Clarification in the M.Phil. & Ph.D. Regulations 2015 passed by the 38<sup>th</sup> Academic Council – Resolution moved by Dr.M.I.Joseph – reg.

The Academic Council discussed the resolution placed by Dr.M.I.Joseph, Associate Professor in Psychology and resolved to discuss the matter in a special meeting of the Academic Council to be convened for the purpose.

# Other items permitted by the chair

- Dr.K.T.Madhavan, raised an apprehension regarding the date of implementation of 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment of UGC Regulation 2010 regarding minimum qualifications of teachers for the appointment and CAS of teachers and other academic staff in the University (No.Ad.A2/15021/SSUS/2010) and Academic Council resolved to reaffirm its earlier decision.
- 2. The Vice Chancellor made a proposal to start PG Diploma in Journalism and communication and the Academic Council resolved to refer it to the Syndicate to fix the fee structure and authorize the Vice Chancellor to complete other modalities like constitution of Board of Studies and linking with any Department to offer as an Add on Course.
- 3. Dr.K.G.Dilip, HOD Sociology raised the point of implementation of environment studies as a compulsory course as per the UGC direction. Academic Council resolved to authorize Dr.K.G.Dilip, HOD, Sociology to discuss the matter with the HODs of UG programmes and submit the report.

The Pro-Vice Chancellor extended vote of thanks to the members for their active participation in the discussions.

The meeting came to an end at 2.30 P.M.

Sd/-Registrar