

**MINUTES FOR THE FORTY NINTH (49th) MEETING OF THE
ACADEMIC COUNCIL**



**VENUE: VIVEKANANDA HALL
FACULTY GUEST HOUSE, GRI**

DATE : 26.10.2016

TIME : 10.30 A.M

**THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE – DEEMED UNIVERSITY
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Members Present:

1.	Dr. S. Natarajan, Vice-Chancellor	Chairperson
2.	Dr. V. Rajarathinam Professor and Dean, Faculty of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts and Head i/c, Department of Hindi	Member
3.	Dr. G. Baskaran Professor & Dean, Faculty of English & Foreign Languages	Member
4.	Dr. B. Subburaj Professor and Dean, Faculty of Rural Social Sciences	Member
5.	Dr. S. Ganesh Professor and Dean, Faculty of Agriculture & Animal Husbandry	Member
6.	Dr. N. Narayanasamy Professor and Dean, Faculty of Rural Development	Member
7.	Dr. G. Dhanasekaran Associate Professor and Dean, Faculty of Rural Health & Sanitation	Member
8.	Dr. P. Anandakumar Professor and Head, Department of Tamil	Member
9.	Dr. R. Uthayakumar Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics	Member
10.	Dr. S. Meenakshi Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry	Member
11.	Dr. R.I. Sathya Professor & Head, Dept. of Home Science	Member
12.	Dr. M.R. Rajan, Professor & Head Dept. of Biology	Member
13.	Dr. P. Shanmugavidivu Professor and Head, Dept. of Computer Science and Applications	Member
14.	Dr. K. Ravichandran, Professor & Head, Dept. of Cooperation	Member
15.	Dr. S. Nehru, Professor & Head, Dept. of Economics	Member
16.	Dr. K.S. Nakkeeran, Professor & Head, Dept. of Political Science & Development Administration	Member
17.	Dr. R. Mani Professor and Head, Dept. of Gandhian Thought & Peace Science	Member
18.	Dr. S. Gurusamy, Head i/c., Dept. of Sociology – represented by Dr. T. Rajendran	Member
19.	Dr. L. Rathakrishnan, Professor and Head, Department of RIM	Member
20.	Dr. P. Anandarajakumar, Professor and Head, Department of Rural Development	Member

21.	Dr. C. Sivaprakasam, Professor & Head, Dept. of Applied Research	Member
22.	Dr. L. Raja Professor and Head, Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension	Member
23.	Dr. M.P. Boraian Professor & Head, Department of Extension Education	Member
24.	Dr. S. Ramaswamy Professor, Dept. of Economics	Member
25.	Dr. M.G. Sethuraman, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
26.	Dr. T. Rajendran, Professor, Department of Sociology	Member
27.	Dr. M. Mallammal Professor, Dept. of Gandhian Thought & Peace Science	Member
28.	Dr. M. Soundarapandian, Professor, Dept. of RIM	Member
29.	Dr. K. Velumani, Professor, Centre for Futures Studies	Member
30.	Dr. P.U. Mahalingam, Associate Professor, Department of Biology	
31.	Dr. R. Venkataravi, Associate Professor, Dept. of Lifelong Learning	Member
32.	Sri S. Parthasarathy, Associate Professor, Dept. of Mathematics	Member
33.	Dr. K. Manikandan, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Economics	Member
34.	Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science	Member
35.	Dr. K. Marimuthu, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Physics	Member
36.	Dr. Anandavalli Mahadevan, Former VC, Mother Teresa Women's University - VC Nominee	Member
37.	Dr. M. Sundaramari, Controller of Examinations	Special Invitee
38.	Dr. G. Muralidharan Professor, Dept. of Physics & Coordinator, CBCS Programme	Special Invitee
39.	Dr. K. Mahendran, Director i/c, RTC	Spl. Invitee
40.	Dr. R. Udayakumar Professor & Course Coordinator, B.Voc. Programme Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry	"
41.	Dr. B. Gurunanam, Director i/c, Centre for Applied Geology	"
42.	Dr. M. Tamizhchelvan, Dy. Librarian	"
43.	Dr. A. Jahitha Begum, Professor & Head i/c., Department of Education	"
44.	Dr. R. Seerangarajan, Professor, Dept. of RIM and Director, Kousal Kendra	"
45.	Dr. C. Sugumar. Deputy Director of Physical Education	"
46.	Dr. I. Kasparraj Director i/c., Computer Centre	
47.	Dr. V. Kirubakaran, Assistant Professor, Rural Energy Centre	"
48.	The Director, IQAC, GRI	"
49.	Dr. K.P. Elango, Professor & Director – Admission, GRI.	"
50.	Dr. P. Balasubramaniam, Registrar, GRI	Non-Member Secretary

Dr. M. Sundaravadivelu, Dean, FROS, Dr. P. Subramaniam, Professor & Head, Dept. of Physics, , Dr. T. Senthivl, Professor, Fac. of Agriculture & Animal Husbandry, Dr. A. David Ravindran, Professor, Dept. of Biology, Dr. A. Joseph Dorairaj, Professor, Fac. of English & Foreign Languages, Dr. S. Gurusamy, Professor & Head i/c., Dept. of Sociology, Dr. T. Selvin Jebraj Norman, Professor, Centre for Futures Studies, GRI, Dr. R. Panneerselvam, Professor & Head, Dept. of Management Studies, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, Dr. K.M. Annamalai, Physiotherapist, Ahemdabad, did not attend the meeting owing to their personal reasons.

The meeting started with one minute silent prayer at 10.30 am.

The Chairperson welcomed all the members. The Vice-Chancellor greeted the newly nominated Dean, Fac. of Tamil, Indian Languages & Rural Arts, Viz., Dr. V. Rajarthinam, Heads of Departments Dr , P. Anandakumar, Department of Tamil and Dr. R.I. Sathya, Department of Home Science, GRI. He also introduced Dr. Anandavalli Mahadevan, former Vice-Chancellor of Mother Theresa University, Chennai, who was nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. After that, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the various academic and developmental activities that took place during the last 6 month (ie. from date of last Academic Council meeting ie. 27.4.2016 till date – 25.10.2016).

1. Item No.781/2016.AC.X

To confirm the minutes of the Forty Eighth meeting of the Academic Council held on 27.4.2016

It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Forty Eighth meeting of the Academic Council held on 27.4.2016.

2. Item No. 782/2016.AC.X

To consider and approve the report of the Registrar on the action taken on the resolutions passed by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 27.04.2016.

After detailed deliberations, it was resolved to approve the action taken on the resolution passed by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 27.4.2016.

NEW ITEMS:

3. Item No.783/2016.AC.X

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Tamil held on 17.10.2016.

Dr. P. Anandakumar, Professor and HoD., Department of Tamil presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of Tamil and it was seconded by Dr. V. Rajarathinam Professor and Dean, Faculty of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts.

After detailed presentation, the Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Tamil held on 17.10.2016 and the following observations were made by the Academic Council

1. In the Subject `Gandhian Literature in Tamil`, the award of Credit should be revised to 2 and the Syllabus could be strengthened after consultation with the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science.
2. The Academic Council approved the Panel of experts for Selection Committee. However, in the list of panel, the selected person in the cadre of Associate Professor be deleted.
3. The Vice-Chancellor is authorized to include members to the Panel List in case it is exhausted.

Any kind of changes should be discussed with the Coordinator, CBCS and Controller of Examinations.

4. Item No. 784/2016.AC.X

To consider and ratify the action taken by the Academic Section in recognizing Dr. M. Arunachalam, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, GRI as a Research Supervisor for Ph.D. Scholars in the area of Chemistry.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the action taken by the Academic Section as per rules and regulations on the matter regarding recognizing Dr. M. Arunachalam, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, GRI as a Research Supervisor for guiding Ph.D. Scholars in the area of Chemistry.

5. Item No. 785/2016.AC.X

To consider and ratify the action taken by the Academic Section in recognizing Dr. S. Arivazhagan, Assistant Professor, Centre for Applied Geology, GRI as a Research Supervisor for Ph.D. Scholars in the area of Infrared analysis, Remote Geochemical analysis & Geological Remote Sensing.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the action taken by the Academic Section as per rules and regulation on the matter regarding recognizing Dr. S. Arivazhagan, Assistant Professor, Centre for Applied Geology, GRI as a Research Supervisor for guiding Ph.D. scholars in the area of Geology.

6. Item No.786/2016.AC.X

To consider approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 10.05.2016 at 10.30 am. at Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.

After, detailed discussion, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 10.5.2016 subject to the following observations made by the Academic Council.

Item No.2 of RAC meeting minutes dt.10.05.2016

It was also resolved that the present status-co will be continued to 'On-line Entrance Test' and Interview will be conducted to the candidates from North and North Eastern States as was extended to the students of NRI.

Item No.3 of RAC meeting minutes dt.10.05.2016

To include in the Committee: The Controller of Examinations will be the Chairman and the Joint Supervisor should be included.

Item No.6 of RAC meeting minutes dt.10.05.2016

In order to relax the duration of Ph.D for M.E/M.Tech Programme, a letter may be addressed to the AICTE for seeking clarification on the duration of the Ph.D degree

Based on the request of Director, Rural Technology Centre and Coordinator, Rural Energy Centre to go by AICTE norms and to get clarification from UGC also.

Item No.7 of (1) of RAC meeting minutes dt.10.05.2016

The Research fee per Ph.D to be collected per annum.

Any other item of RAC meeting minutes dt.10.05.2016

3 of (b):

The Academic Council resolved that automatic cancellation of registration beyond three months will be effected from January 2017 onwards.

Sl.No.7:

Based on UGC's Notification dated 5th May, 2016, it has been incorporated in the subsequent RAC meeting held on 5.8.2016.

7. Item No.787/2016.AC.X

To consider approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 05.8.2016 at 10.30 am. at Gandhigram Rural Institute (DU), Gandhigram.

After, detailed discussion, It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 05.08.2016 subject to the following observation made by the Academic Council.

5 Guiding Scholars (Ph.D/PDF) by Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and Controller of Examinations during their period of on other duty and also coordinating/conducting the Research and Development projects.

The guidelines of the UGC may be strictly followed for guiding Ph.D scholars by the Controller of Examinations and Registrar of University.

8. Item No. 788/2016.AC.X

The Academic Council may consider the following since the maximum number of scholars to be guided by the Librarian and Physical Education shall be also applicable like teaching faculty.

Sl. No.	Designation	No. of scholars for M.Phil & Ph.D programmes
1	Librarian & Director, Physical Education	3 & 8
2	Dy.Librarian & Dy.Director, Physical Education	2 & 6
3	Asst.Librarian & Asst. Director of Physical Education	1 & 4

After deliberations, it was resolved to approve and the number of scholars for M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programme (as per above table) to be guided by the Librarian, Director, Physical Education and Deputy Librarian and Deputy Director, Physical Education of GRI, Gandhigram. It was also resolved to approve action taken by the Academic Section in recognizing the above staff as research supervisors.

9. Item No.789/2016.AC.X

To consider and give direction on UGC's letter D.O.No.F.2-7/2014 (CC/NVEQF) Misc. dated 3rd August, 2016 for recognizing the B.Voc degree programme at par with other Bachelor level degrees.

The Academic Council has perused the UGC's letter D.O.No.F.2-7/2014 (CC/NVEQF) Misc. dated 3rd August, 2016 for recognizing the B.Voc degree programme at par with other Bachelor level degrees and directed the administration to implement the directions of UGC.

10. Item No.790/2016.AC.X

To consider and approve the following communications received from the University Grants Commission and Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, New Delhi.

1. UGC's Notification dt. 11th July, 2016 on academic collaborations with Foreign Universities
2. UGC's Notification dt. 19th July, 2016 regarding Online learning courses through SWAYAM Portal
3. MHRD's direction on the issue of mark sheets and certificates

After having gone through the above three communications, the Academic Council considered and resolved to approve in principle the implementation of the UGC/MHRD communications in GRI and the following observations were made by the members

For Online courses, one coordinator of each department may be nominated, Workshop has to be conducted to offer online programme. For online courses, 7 recommendations have been made, Board of Studies may consider, by implementing the thrust course as per the credit transfer followed by GRI. The Vice-Chancellor has requested the Head of the Departments to see 'SWAYAM' Web Portal for further details. Also he instructed the Head of the Departments to come up with one course.

11. Item No.791/2016.AC.X: ANY OTHER ITEM**TRANSCRIPTION CERTIFICATE**

The Chairman of the Academic Council informed that a Committee was formed consists of Controller of Examinations i/c., Dr. K. Somalsundaram, Dr. K.P. Elango Director (Admissions), Dr. G. Murualidharan, Coordinator, CBCS, Dr. S. Ramaswamy, Director, R&D and Dr. G. Sethuraman, Director (IQAC) for issue of Transcript Card.

Dr.K.Somalsundaram, Prof. Computer Science & Applications explained about Transcript Card that 2 applications are to be submitted to Controller of Examinations. Controller of Examinations will issue by separate certificate, other part to the Registrar and again it will come back to Controller of Examinations to

give both seal. Even through online application, transcript card will be issued after collecting postal charges through the Head of the Department.

NIRF:

1. The Chairman, Academic Council has informed that the last date for giving data to NIRF is 15.11.2016 and instructed the Head of the Departments to send the details to Director, IQAC.

The Director IQAC also requested the members to give the details based on the circulars issued by the Registrar.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Heads of the Department that Meeting will be fixed on 7th November 2016 at 10.30 A.M to discuss about the details to be submitted to NIRF.

2. Dr.R.Seerangarajan, Professor and Director, DDU-Kaushal Kendra has presented the outcome of the meeting with RD&AT, Ministry of skill Development at Chennai on 24th and 25th October 2016 and he informed with the syllabi of B.Voc in FEOM, Diploma in Two Wheeler Mechanism & Maintenance, Short term programmes offered by Dept. of Life Long Learning & Extension are in conformity with the NSQF guidelines and the same meets the requisites of the skill development of the students after rearranging the practical components of the syllabi as per the suggestion of experts at RD&AT, Chennai, the same was done and approved.

The Chairman, Academic Council congratulated the Director, Kaushal Kendra and the team of DDU-KK Staff.

The meeting ended at 01.00 pm. with thanks by the Chairman.

Gandhigram
26.10.2016

Dr. P. BALASUBRAMANIAM
REGISTRAR

Dr. S. NATARAJAN
Vice-Chancellor