



# UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, MEGHALAYA

## Minutes of the Thirteenth Meeting of the Academic Council held on April 12, 2021

Time : 11.00 am

Venue : Conference Hall, USTM

The thirteenth meeting of the Academic Council of University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) was held on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 under the Chairmanship of Dr. G. D. Sharma, Honourable Vice Chancellor of USTM. The attendees are :

Sl. No	Name of Members	Designation	Status
01	Dr. G. D. Sharma	Vice Chancellor, USTM	Chairman
02	Dr. R. K. Sharma	Advisor, USTM	Special Invitee
03	Dr. Saurabh Basu	Professor, Dept. of Physics & Dean, Outreach Programme, IIT Guwahati	Member
04	Prof. K. Ismail	Retd. Professor, Dept. of Chemistry, NEHU	Member
05	Prof. S. K. Borthakur	Retd. Professor, Dept. of Botany, Gauhati University	Member
06	Dr. Enamul Karim	Dean, School of Applied Sciences, USTM	Member
07	Dr. Amit Choudhury	Dean, School of Business Sciences, USTM	Member
08	Dr. A. C. Talukdar	Professor, Dept. of Political Science, USTM	Member
09	Dr. P. K. Baruah	Head, Dept. of Botany, USTM	Member
10	Dr. D. K. Sharma	Professor, Dept. of Zoology, USTM	Member
11	Dr. Sanchita Roy	Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, USTM	Member
12	Mr. N. Laskar	Finance Officer and Controller of Examination & Admissions, USTM	Member
13	Dr. Abdur Rashid	Head, Dept. of Economics & Commerce, USTM	Member
14	Dr. T. R. Gogoi	Professor, Dept. of Sociology, USTM	Special Invitee
15	Dr. Pooja Chaudhuri	Asst. Professor & Head, Dept. of Physiotherapy, USTM	Special Invitee
16	Dr. A. H. Barbhuiya	Academic Registrar, USTM	Special Invitee
17	Dr. Papiya Dutta	Director, IQAC, USTM	Special Invitee
18	Ms. Polly Borgohain	Director, University Classes, USTM	Special Invitee
19	Mrs. Anju Hazarika	Registrar, USTM	Secretary

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members to the 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council and briefed about the latest developments in the university both in terms of academics and infrastructural areas to the esteemed members. He also apprised the members about the adequate facilities and health safety measures against COVID-19, the university has put in place in strict adherence to the health safety protocols issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Government of India and state Govt. of Meghalaya. He also briefed the Council about the progress made for the Assessment & Accreditation of USTM by NAAC. Thereafter, the secretary initiated the discussion as per the agenda.

The resolutions taken against the agenda items are narrated below :

Agenda	Resolution
<p><b>AGENDA NO. : 13.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of Academic Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2020</b></p> <p>The proceeding of the 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council was placed before the Council.</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA: 13.21.01:</b> The Academic Council has resolved to confirm the proceedings.</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO. : 13.2: Action taken report</b></p> <p>A report on the follow up action taken based on the resolutions adopted by the Academic Council in its 12<sup>th</sup> meeting was briefed.</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION:ACA:13.21.02:</b> The Academic Council approved the action taken report.</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.3: Post facto approval of PhD Entrance Test Result of 2020-21 (B) Batch</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.03:</b> The Academic Council approved the result of PhD 2020-21 (A) Entrance Test Result (Approved result is placed in Annexure – I)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.4: Project Grants</b></p> <p>The list of Project grants awarded to faculty members of the University was placed before the council.</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.04 :</b> The Academic Council members congratulated the faculty members. (Detail list is enclosed in Annexure – II)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.5: MoU Signed</b> <b>The list of organizations signed MoU during the last one year was placed.</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.05 :</b> The Academic Council suggested to constitute committees to monitor the collaborative activities carried out under the purview of the MoUs and asked to involve the alike departments. (List attached in Annexure – III)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.6: Approval of new / revised syllabi for various courses</b> The Board of Studies of different Schools had submitted proposals for introduction/revision of syllabus of certain courses whose recommendations were placed before the Council. The respective Deans of the Schools narrated briefly about the syllabus and their implications</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.06 :</b> The Academic Council approved the revised syllabus of the courses under the said departments (List attached in Annexure – IV)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.7: Appraisal of the action taken based on stakeholders feedback related to curriculum modification.</b> <b>The Director IQAC presented the report of the action taken based on stakeholders' feedback before the Council.</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.07 :</b> The Academic Council ratified the above action taken and appreciated the concerned stakeholders viz: students, alumni, teachers and employers for their valuable inputs and the efforts put in by the Feedback Committee and IQAC in the entire feedback and syllabus revision process (List attached in Annexure – V)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.8: Approval for Value Added Courses</b> A list of Value Added Courses to be offered during the Academic Session 2021-22 was placed by the Academic Registrar before the Council for approval as given below:</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION:ACA:13.21.08 :</b> The Academic Council approved the same along with their respective syllabi. (List attached in Annexure – VI)</p>
<p><b>AGENDA NO.: 13.9: The Controller of Examination and Admission placed the proposal of Intake Capacity for the Academic Session 2021-22</b></p>	<p><b>RESOLUTION : ACA:13.21.9 :</b> The Academic Council approved the list of intake capacity (Approved intake capacity is placed in Annexure – VII)</p>

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks from the Academic Registrar.

Sd/  
Registrar

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Vice Chancellor

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Copy to :

1. The Hon'ble Chancellor, USTM
2. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, USTM
3. The Deans of Schools, USTM
4. The Head of Departments - *for implementation & submission of action taken report*
5. All the members of the Academic Council
6. Director, IQAC
7. Director, University Classes
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### ANNEXURE - V

#### **Appraisal of the action taken based on stakeholders' feedback related to curriculum modification.**

The Director IQAC presented the report of the action taken based on stakeholders' feedback before the Council. The major action taken are as follows:

1. The syllabus of the following UG, PG and PhD programmes have been revised which has been made effective from the academic session 2021-22.

SL.NO	PROGRAMME CODE	PROGRAMME NAME	YEAR OF INTRODUCTION	YEAR OF REVISION
1	BCA	Bachelor in Computer Application	2012-13	2021-22
2	MCA	Master in Computer Application	2012-13	2021-22
3	BLB	BA LLB	2015-16	2021-22
4	LLB	Bachelor of Legislative Law	2015-16	2021-22
5	MSM	M.Sc. Mathematics	2016-17	2021-22
6	BPT	Bachelor in Physiotherapy	2017-18	2021-22
7	MEC	Master in Economics	2021-22	2021-22
8	PEC	Ph.D. Economics	2014-15	2021-22
9	PBA	Ph.D. Business Administration	2014-15	2021-22
10	PSO	Ph.D. Sociology	2014-15	2021-22
11	PSW	Ph.D. Social Work	2014-15	2021-22
12	PBO	Ph.D. Botany	2014-15	2021-22
13	PLS	Ph.D. Library & Information Science	2014-15	2021-22
14	PBT	Ph.D. Biotechnology	2014-15	2021-22
15	PED	Ph.D. Education	2014-15	2021-22
16	PCO	Ph.D. Commerce	2014-15	2021-22
17	PCH	Ph.D. Chemistry	2014-15	2021-22
18	PZO	Ph.D. Zoology	2014-15	2021-22
19	PPS	Ph.D. Political Science	2015-16	2021-22
20	PEV	Ph.D. Environmental Science	2016-17	2021-22
21	PSM	Ph.D. Mathematics	2016-17	2021-22
22	PLL	Ph.D. Law	2021-22	2021-22
23	PPH	Ph.D. Physics	2021-22	2021-22
24	PEN	Ph.D. English	2021-22	2021-22
25	PPM	Ph.D. Pharmaceutical Science	2021-22	2021-22
26	PRD	Ph.D. Rural Development	2021-22	2021-22
27	PCS	Ph.D. Computer Science	2021-22	2021-22

The University will also implement NEP 2020 syllabus across all programmes from the Academic Session 2022-23.

2. Conduct of Workshop, Training Programmes, Career Counselling Sessions, Orientation Programmes, Finishing School facilities, ICT Facilities etc were revamped for enhanced learning and holistic development of students.

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3. Number of MoUs signed with premier Institutions /Industries / Research Laboratories / NGOs to facilitate students' project/internships.
4. Laboratory facilities have been improved. A number of analytical instruments have been procured for Central Instrumentation Facilities to accelerate the research activities.