## Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 at 11:00 am in Meeting Room of Barad Sadan

11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council was held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019 at 11:00 am in meeting room of Barad Sadan. Following were present:

1. Prof. Avinash Khare, - Chairman

Vice Chancellor

2. Shri Debasish Pal, - Member

Finance Officer

3. Prof. A.S. Chandel, - Member

Librarian

4. Prof. Irshad Gulam Ahmed, - Member

Professor, Department of English

5. Prof. N. Sathyanarayana, - Member

Professor, Department of Botany

6. Dr. Laxuman Sharma, - Member

Dean Students' Welfare

7. Shri D.K. Pradhan, - Member

Director and Special Secretary Higher & Technical Education Govt. of Sikkim

8. Dr. Parsuram Poudyal, - Member

Principal, Namchi Govt. College

9. Dr. (Mrs.) Arati Chhetri, - Member

Principal, Harkamaya College of Education

10.Dr. Satyadeep Chhetri, - Member

Associate Professor, Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College

11. Shri T.K. Kaul, - Secretary

Registrar

Mrs. Kessang Doma Bhutia, Principal (In-charge), Sikkim Govt. College, Gyalshing could not attend the meeting due to pre-occupation. Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Dean, School of Life Sciences, Prof. Nawal K. Paswan, Dean, School of Social Sciences and Dr. Sudarsan Tamang, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Chemisty

attended the meeting as special invitees. Joint Registrar (Acad.) was present in the meeting to assist the Council.

The Chairperson welcomed the members to the members and thereafter agenda items were taken up:

# SECTION 1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES & ACTION TAKEN REPORT

# CDC.11.1.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were circulated to all the members on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018. No comments have been received from any of the members of the Council.

The minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 as circulated on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were confirmed.

# CDC.11.1.2: Action taken Report on the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the College Development Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

The Secretary presented the Action Taken Report on the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Action Taken Report was noted by the Council.

### SECTION 2 REPORTING MATTER

NIL

### SECTION 3 RATIFICATION MATTERS

## CDC.11.3.1: Report of the Committee for revised Examination, Improvement Fee etc.

Prof. Nawal K. Paswan, Dean, School of Social Sciences presented this item. The Council noted the report submitted by the committee constituted vide Office Order No. 16/2019 dated 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Nawal K. Paswan. The committee in view of the nature of courses offered in colleges, classified them under three groups as under:

- i) Nursing & Pharmacy
- ii) Engineering & Vocational
- iii) Other Professional Courses

In view of the nature of courses and expenses involved during practical examinations recommended for a fee hike of 30%, 20% and 10% respectively for Nursing & Pharmacy, Engineering & Vocational and other Professional courses over the existing rates of Examination Fee, Improvement Fee and Re-evaluation fee and 2% non-cumulative hike every year on the revised fee. In view of ensuing admission session 2019-20 recommendations of the committee has been implemented by the University.

After detailed deliberations, the Council ratified the action of the University in accepting the recommendations of the Committee and implementing the same from the ensuing session 2019-20.

The Council noted the provision in the Ordinance for enhancement of fee every year which is 2% on the base fee. Some members pointed out that 2% enhancement (non-cumulative) is not keeping pace with the inflation. The Council after deliberation authorised the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a committee to look into the matter.

### SECTION 4 MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL

#### CDC.11.4.1: Revised B.Voc. Syllabus for Pharmaceutical Chemistry

Dr. Sudarsan Tamang presented this item. The Council noted that the Committee constituted vide office order no. 582/2018 dated 1st November 2018 for revision of B.Voc. syllabus of Pharmaceutical Chemistry submitted its report along with revised B.Voc. syllabus in Pharmaceutical Chemistry.

Dr. Sudarsan Tamang made a presentation to the Council about revised syllabus of B.Voc. (Pharmaceutical Chemistry) and explained the need for revision of syllabus. After deliberations, the Council considered the revised syllabus of B.Voc. (Pharmaceutical Chemistry) and recommended to the Academic Council for approval.

#### CDC.11.4.2: Inspection Report of Four permanently affiliated colleges

Based on the decision of the Executive Council in its 20<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2014 wherein colleges which were granted permanent affiliation of Sikkim University were required to be inspected once in three years by a duly constituted inspection team. Four colleges affiliated permanently under Sikkim University were accordingly inspected by inspection teams duly constituted as per UGC norms on the dates given against each:

1.	Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College Tadong	-	18.02.2019
2.	Harkamaya College of Education 6th Mile, Tadong	-	20.02.2019
3.	Loyola College of Education Namchi, South Sikkim	-	21.02.2019
4.	Sikkim Government Law College	-	22.02.2019

After deliberations, the Council approved the reports of the Inspection Committees and advised to send a copy of the report to the concerned college for initiating corrective measures to the concerns mentioned in the report. Besides, the Council also asked to prepare a format for Inspection Team for inspection of permanently affiliated colleges.

## SECTION 5 ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

#### CDC.11.5.1: De-affiliation of colleges

It was informed that Sikkim State University, though established in 2018, is still at a nascent stage and requires lot of work to be done before it becomes somewhat functional university. Government of Sikkim has already written to Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) for de-affiliation of Government Colleges from Sikkim University. The Registrar clarified on the provisions of the SU Act regarding exemption to affiliation with SU and also suggested that it should be done in a systematic manner so that the students do not suffer. He also informed that MHRD had sought the views of the University sometime back and NOC for exempting Govt. Colleges in Sikkim from SU Act has been provided by the University. Now MHRD has asked us to take up the matter with Executive Council. Executive Council meeting is scheduled by the end of this month where this matter will also come up for discussion. Affiliations of private colleges were also discussed.

The Council observed that the Department of Human Resources Development, Govt. of Sikkim should pursue the matter with the MHRD for issue of Notification regarding exemption of Govt. Colleges for affiliation to Sikkim University so that those Colleges can seek affiliation to Sikkim State University. The Council also agreed to continue the affiliation of Government Colleges in SU for the session 2019-20.

#### CDC.11.5.2: Extension of PG centre at erstwhile Sikkim Government College, Tadong (now Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College, Tadong)

It is informed that the erstwhile Sikkim Government College, Tadong (now Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College, Tadong) was granted permission for establishing centres for offering PG courses in five subjects viz., Mathematics, Physics, Economics, English and History through an agreement signed between Sikkim University and HRDD, Govt. of Sikkim. The validity of agreement has expired and needs renewal.

The Council considered the matter and directed the concerned parties to renew the agreement in order to provide legitimacy to the admissions done in Extension Centres.

#### CDC.11.5.3: Payment of examination fee by students

One member raised concerns regarding payment of fee by students. It was informed that a provision for online payment of fee has been made in which students may pay fee through payment gateway by Debit Card/Credit Card or any other digital transactions. However, the provision for payment of fee by Challan payment has been discontinued.

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

Sd/-(T.K.Kaul) Registrar & Secretary, CDC Sd/(Prof. Avinash Khare)
Vice-Chancellor & Chairperson, CDC