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1.4.1 Institution obtains feedback on the syllabus and its transaction at the institution from the following stakeholders

4. Action taken by the University of the feed back send by College

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS சென்னைப் பல்கலைக்கழகம் (Established under the Act of Incorporation XXVII of 1857 -Madras University Act 1923 (State University) Centenary Building, Chepauk, Chennai-600 005. No.V2/S2/AC.S'16/Resolutions / 331 Dated 2 3 AUG 2016 From The Registrar, University of Madras. To Thiru.T.Balachandar, M.Com., M.Phil., Member- Academic Council, Assistant Professor of Commerce 200 Mar Gregorios College of Arts And Science, Block No. 6, Mogappair West Chennai 600037 . Sir, Sub: Academic - Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council to be held on 24th September 2016 - Non inclusion of Resolution - Regarding, Ref: Your letter dated.09.08.2016. With reference to your letter cited above, I am to inform you that, as decided by the Standing Committee of the Academic Council, the following Resolutions given notice of by you could not be included in the Agenda of the Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council scheduled to be held on 24th September 2016 according to Statute 10 (3) (i), (ii) (iii) of Chapter - XI, read with Statute 13 of Chapter XIII of Volume 1, University Calendar 2016, since the following resolution No.1,2,3,4&5 shall be clearly and precisely expressed and shall raise substantially one definite issue and resolution no.3 and also shall not contain arguments inferences, ironical expressions or defamatory statements, nor shall it refer to the character or conduct of persons except in their official or public capacity . 1. Resolved that the University be requested to provide bilingual (English & Tamil) questions to the Examiners of BBA (Bachelor of Business Administration) at the time of Semester Examinations 2. Resolved that the University be requested to solve the Pending Staff Approval to the Faculty of Electronics Communication and Science. 3. Resolved that the University be requested to bring back the system of appointing External Chief Superintendent and Flying Squad during the Semester Examinations to maintain the High Standard Examination System and Vigilance will be preventing the examinees from doing malpractice instead of finding them after malpractice. MAR GREGORIOS COLLE UNCAPPAR

- . 2 . . 4. Resolved that the University be requested to exclude UG and PG Course of Social Work from the stream of Arts Group and bring under a separate stream as the Curriculum Practices of Social Work Course are partly different from Arts Stream. 5. Resolved that the University be requested to update the syllabus of subjects related to software as per the up gradation in the software technology. Kindly acknowledge receipt. Yours faithfully, Jac REGISTRAR. 13/18 Principal MAR GREGORIOS COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCAL MOGAPPAR WEST, CHEMNA - 500 537. Dr. M. SMARAJANNEA.

(Established under the Act of Incorporation XXVII of 1857 -Madras University Act 1923 (State University) Centenary Building, Chepauk, Chennai-600 005. No.V2/S2/AC.S'17/Resolutions/ 324 Dated? 1 AUG 2017 From The Registrar, University of Madras, To Mr. T. Balachandar, M.Com., M.Phil., Assistant Professor of Commerce Mar Gregorios College of Arts and Science, Block iso, é, Mogappair West Chennai 600037 Sir Sub: Academic - Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council to be held on 23rd September 2017 - Non-inclusion of Resolution in the Agenda -Intimation - Regarding Ref. Your letter dated, 08.08 2017 With reference to your letter cited above, I am to inform you that as decided by the Standing Committee of the Academic Council, the following resolutions given by you could not be included in the Agenda of the Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Council scheduled to be held on 23rd September 2017. "1. Resolved that the University be requested to give explanation for the Pending Staff Approval to the Enculty of Electronics and Communication Science, Resolved that the University be requested to bring back the system of 2 appointing External Chief Superintendent and Flying Squad during the Semester Examinations to make sure of Malpractice-free examination. Resolved that the University be requested to take steps to pay 3. intmediately the remunerations to the Examiners of Central Valuation through cash payment or net banking whichever is convenient to our University. Contd.2. Dr. M. STARAJAN HS Principal MAR GREGORIOS COLLEGE OF ARTS MOGAPPAR WEST, CHEMNAL-1 -7-Resolved that the University be requested to give access to enter language code for the Lateral Entry students to BCA, as languages extiminations are mandatory for getting degree. Now it is manually 4. applied, it is also resolved that the University be requested to give the common circular to all affiliated colleges regarding compulsion of languages to the lateral entry students." 6. Resolved that the University be requested to upload the newly changed CBCS Syllabus of the last two academic years to the Official Website of our University." This is for your kind information. Kindly acknowledge receipt. Yours faithfully, C.1 runawally REGISTRAR i/c E OF ARTS & MAR GREGORIOS COLL



UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

Follow Up Action Taken on the Ruling Given by the Chairman at the Meeting of the Academic Council held on 24th September 2016.

Item No. V With regard to the nomination of Dr. Nedumaran, Head, Central Page No.21 Instrumentation and Service Laboratory in the Academic Council and Senate

Action Taken:

- Ι. In pursuance of records, it is found that Dr. Padmanaban was never a member of the Academic Council and the senate.
- 2. Records also show that the Centre has not been instituted so far.
- 3. No other Head of the Department from the same Centre has staked membership in the Academic Council and the senate. 4.
- However, the matter is being placed before the Syndicate for resolution.

Item No.VIII (3) With regard to Clarification of Government College of Arts and Page No. 22 Culture, Mahabalipuram comes under the purview of the University of Madras from the academic year 2013-2014.

Action Taken:

The Syndicate of this University at its meeting held on 11.04.2014 considered the letter No.1339/CI-1/2014-2, dated.04.03.2014 received from the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Department of Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments (C1-1) department, Government of Tamil Nadu and resolved as follows:-

"RESOLVED that the provisional affiliation granted to 1) Government College of Arts, Chennai and 2) Government College of Architecture and Sculpture, Fine Manuallapuram be continued with the University of Madras for the academic year 2013-2014.

Accordingly, the provisional affiliation has been granted to for the above said colleges with this University for the academic year 2013-2014

Further, a letter no.2132/C1-1/2016-3, dated 08.06.2016 received from Tmt.S.Premasheela, Deputy Secretary to Government, wherein it is clearly stated that the provisional affiliation was granted to the Government College of Architecture and Sculpture, Mamallapuram during the year 2012-2013 by the University of Madras and therefore the further, application for 2013-2014, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 would come under the purview of the University of Madras since the syllabus prescribed and approved during the year 2012-2013 is applicable till the completion of the course and also informed that a separate permission is not necessary for the academic year 2015-2016.

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 Item No.VIII (3) Page No. 23 Regarding mentioning the Department of Archeology, Government of Tamilnadu under the Research Institution. However they are offering Post Graduate Diploma in Epigraphy and Archeology even though the institution is listed in the Research Institution.

Action Taken:

The University has not granted affiliation to Department of Archeology, Government of Tamilnadu, Tamil Valarchi Valaagam, Egmore, Chennai to offer Post Graduate Diploma in Epigraphy and archeology.

Item No. XVIII Page No.38

Regarding the minority status given to D.G. Vaishnav College.

Action Taken:

The Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009 and the Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai - 600 006, have been requested to state whether a specific Government Order is necessary for conferment of Linguistic Minority Status to D.G.Vaishnav College (Autonomous), Chennai to enable the University to place before the ensuing meeting of the Academic Council to be held on 25.02.2017, Reply is awaited.

 Item No.XVIII With regard to issue circular to all the aided arts and science colleges to Page No. 39 ensure admission policy of the State Government

Action Taken:

It is informed that the office of the DCE has published the Guidelines for admission of students to UG/PG Courses in Government/Aided/Unaided Arts and Science Colleges for the Academic year 2016-2017 (G.O.(D) No.175, Higher Education (G1) Department dated 18.05.2016) in their official website wherein it is stated as follows,

"Filled in application should reach the college within 10days from the plut two results published in the internet. Colleges should prepare the Rank list for Admission, from the 11th day onwards and it should be pasted on the Notice Board on or before 14th day intelf (result published). Counseling should be conducted between 15th and 20th days of the publications of plus two results in internet (within 5 days only)."

The University has also sent a circular to all affiliated colleges (letter No. A1/HA/GEN CIR/2016-2017/325 dated 09.06.2016) with regard to Guidelines for admission of students to the various courses of studies for the academic year 2016-2017, in which it is stated as follows:

 "In selecting candidates for admission of the several courses, the Government order on Communal Reservation policy issued by the Government from time to time has to be followed"

 A statement showing the number of candidates admitted according to the reservation rules has to be sent to the University immediately soon after the admissions are over.

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6.	Item No.XVIII	
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Regarding list of all the selected candidates for various courses including SC/ST candidates of affiliated Colleges.

Action Taken:

Relevant statistics are being sent to the UGC, whenever requested.

 Item No.XVIII Regarding the nomination of University representative to the affiliated Page No. 42 Colleges.

Action Taken:

University Representatives have been appointed to about fifty affiliated colleges

including RMK Vivekananda College, Chennai.

 Item No.XVIII Regarding nomination of Syndicate member as correspondent of Page No.45 Regarding nomination of Syndicate member as correspondent of the constituent college. The quality of education providing in constituent college of the University should set as a model for others.

Action Taken:

No regulation regarding appointment of Syndicate Member as Correspondent/Member of Governing Council of the Constituent College has been established.

9. Item No. XX Page No.50 Regarding the lapsed seat of 1st year MCA to be admitted in the 2nd year as lateral entry directly in the affiliated colleges of this University.

Action Taken:

As assured by the Chairman in the meeting of Academic Council held on 24.09.2016, the legal opinion (date.18.01.2017) obtained from Tmt. G. Thilagavathi, Legal Advisor. University of Madras on the above matter in connection with the admission of candidates (i.e., lapsed seat in 1 year MCA into direct second year MCA Programme through lateral entry, has been put up to the authorities for approval for placing before the Syndicate.

After approval by the Syndicate, it will be communicated to all the colleges.

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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 23rd SEPTEMBER 2017

MINUTES

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Dr. M. SIVARAJAN M.B.A., M.Phil., M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Principal MAR GREGORIOS COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE MOGAPPAIR WEST, CHENNAI - 600 037.

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UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS

ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

SATURDAY, the 23RD SEPTEMBER 2017 at 10.30 A.M.

Place of Meeting: Centenary Building, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. P. Duraisamy, Ph.D., D.Econ. Sc. [Paris], Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair)

Dr. M. Abdul Rahim, M.Sc., M.Phil., M.Ed., Ph.D., Thiru. P. K. Abdul Rahiman, M.A., M.Phil., Tmt. Amthul Thawab, M.Com., M.Phil., Dr. (Tmt.) N.L.Amudhayee, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr.S.Ananthi, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. A. Anbalagan, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. R. Anuradha, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Mrs. B. Arasi, M.Com. M.Phil., M.B.A Dr. S.Armstrong, M.A., M.Phil., PGCTE, Ph.D., Dr. M. Arockiasamy Xavier S. J.M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D Mrs. S. Arunarani, M.Sc, M.Phil Thiru. S.Asaithambi, M.B.A., M.C.S., M.Com., M.Phil., Dr. D. Asha Latha, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. S.Austin Suthanthiraraj, M.Sc., Ph.D., Thiru. T. Balachandar, M.Com., M.Phil., Dr. P. D. Balaji, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Thiru. S. Basheer Ahmed, M.A., M.Phil., Dr. V.Bharathi Harishankar, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. G. Bhaskaran, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. S. Bhooma, M.Com., Ph.D., Dr. V. Bhuvarahamurthy, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. S. Ceceily, M.Com., M.Phil, Ph.D., Dr.V. Chandrakumar, M.L.I.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. V.Chandrasekhan, M.A., M.Com., M.Phil., M.Ed., Ph.D., Dr. K. Dayanidhi, Ph.D.,

- Thiru. Edison Rathinam, M.Sc., M.Phil Dr. Elangovan Vellaichamy, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. C. N. Eswari, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr.(Tmt.) G. Eswari Prabhu, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. Fernandes Javashree Felix, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Thiru. J. Gandhiraj, M.Sc., M.Phil., B.Ed., Dr. R. Gavathri, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Geetha, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D., Dr. P. M. Girish, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D Dr. N. Godhantaraman, M.Sc., Ph.D Dr. P. Gunasekaran, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Gurusamy, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. K. Habeeb Hameed, M.A., Ph.D Dr. (Tmt.) Hanifa Ghosh, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Ms. S. Harikrishnan, M.Com., M.Phil., Dr. Harold Nirmal Kumar, M.Com., M.Phil., M.Ed., Ph.D., Tmt. B. Hemalatha, M.Com., M.Phil., Dr. M. R. Hemamalini, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. R. Jaganathan, M.Sc., Ph.D Dr. S. Janarthanan, M.Sc., Ph.D Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D. Dr. Jayashree Mitra M.Sc., Ph.D Dr. N. Jeyanthi, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. A. Joseph Durai, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. K. Jothi Sivagnanam, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. N. Kala, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. N. Kalyanaraman, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., MBA., Dr. Kamala Balakrishnan, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Kamalakannan, M.P.E.D., M.Phil., Ph.D. Tmt. S. Kanmani, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil Dr. P. Karthe, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. S. Karthikeyan, M.Sc., Ph.D Tmt. T. Komathi M.A., M.Phil., Mrs. V. Kothainayaki Dr. R. R. Krishnamurthy, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. V. Lakshmi, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. V. Lakshmipathy, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. Lalitha Balakrishnan, M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. V. Lilly, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.,
- Mrs. Livingstone anitha, M.Sc., M.Phil.,

Dr. V. Madha Suresh, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. P.Madurai Veeran Ph.D., Dr. V.Mahadevan, M.P.E.S., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Mangayarkarasi, M.A, M.Phil, Ph.D Dr. Y. Manikandan, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D Dr. S. Manivasakan, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Manjunathan, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. N. Mathivanan, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. O. Mathivanan, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. V. Meena Kumari, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D., Mrs. N. Meenakshi, M.Sc., Mrs. Mercy Silverster, M.Com., ICWAI., Dr. VJ. Merline Shyla, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. N. C. Mirakamal M.A, M Phil, Ph D Dr. M. Mohanakrishnan, M.Com., M.Phil., M.B.A., Ph.D Dr. T. Mohanashree, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. K. Mohandoss, M.Sc., Ph.D., Dr. E. Murugan, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. S. Murugesan, M.B.A., M.Com., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. N. Nagarajan, M.A., Ph.D., Mr. R. Nedunchezhian, M.Com., M.Phil., M.B.A Dr. G. Palani, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. R. Panchalan, M.Com, Ph.D., Dr. R. P. Pankaja M.A., Ph.D., Dr. S. Panneerselvam, M.Com., M.Phil., B.Ed., Ph.D., Dr. G. Patrick, M.A., Ph.D., Mr. S. Periyannan, M.Com., M.Phil., B.Ed., Dr. M. Prakash, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Dr. T.P. Radhakrishnan, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. S. Raja Samuel, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. Rajashree Sripathy, M.A., Ph.D., Dr. Ramachandran M.A., Ph.D., Thiru. C. Raman, M.P.Ed., M.Phil., Dr. S. Ramanathan, M.Com, M.Phil, SLST, Ph.D Dr. R. Ramesh Kumar, M.L.M, Ph.D., Thiru. R. Ramprasad, M.Sc., M.Phil., Dr. R. Rangarajan, MBA., M.Com., Ph.D., Mr. E. Ravichandran, M.A., M.Phil, Mr. G. Ravichandran, M.Sc., PGDCA Dr. K. Ravichandran, M.Sc., M.Phil

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Dr. K. Vinotha, M.Com., M.Phil. Ph.D.,
Dr. G. P. Youvaraj, M.Sc., Ph.D.,

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

I. After invocation, the meeting was started at 10.30 a.m

II. The Vice-Chancellor: Hon'ble Members of the Syndicate, Respected Registrar and Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council, I welcome you all to this Meeting. I seek your fullest co-operation for the successful conduct of this Meeting.

III. OBITUARY

With deep regret, I have to report the demise of:

- Dr. M. SANTAPPA Former Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras, who passed away on 26th February 2017.
- Dr. A. GNANAM, Former Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras, who passed away on 18th May 2017.

Dr. THOMAS GEORGE, Professor and Head, (Retd), Department of Christian Studies, who passed away on 31st August 2017.

"That the Academic Council places on record its deep sense of sorrow of the demise of **Dr. M. Santappa, Dr. A. Gnanam and Dr. Thomas George.**"

The Vice-Chancellor: Observing two minutes silence

The Resolution was **CARRIED** after observing two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

IV. Dr. V. Bharathi Harishankar moved the following Complimentary Resolutions:-

The Academic Council placed on record its appreciation and conveyed its congratulations to the following dignitaries.

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1.	Dr. P. M. Girish	For having been awarded "I.C. CHACO	
	Assistant Professor & Head i/c,	Endowment Award" by Kerala Sahitya	
	Department of Malayalam,	Academy on 7.07.2017	
	University of Madras,		
2.	Dr. S. Karaunanidhi	For having been awarded "Distinguished	
	Professor and Head	Educationalist Award" by RANADE	
	Department of Psychology,	Library on 09.03.2017	
	University of Madras		
3.	Dr. Y. Manikandan	For having been awarded "Best Book	
	Professor and Head	Award" for the book titled "Bharathiyiyal	
	Department of Tamil Language,	Kavanam Peratha Unmaigal" by the	
	Marina Campus,	Govt. of Tamilnadu on 29.04.2017	
	University of Madras		
4.	Dr.V.P.Matheswaran	For having been awarded "B est	
	Associate Professor,	Researcher Award 2017" by the	
	Department of Adult and	University of Madras in the Teachers Day	
	Continuing Education,	Function on 05.09.2017	
	University of Madras		
5.	Dr. N. C. Mirakamal	For having been Elected as "Vice	
	Assistant Professor and Head i/c ,	President to represent Asia at the	
	Department of French & Other	Executive Committee of International	
	Foreign Languages	Association of Quebec Studies" funded	
	University of Madras	by the Ministry of International Relations,	
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Quebec Government, Canada on May	
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6.	Dr. E. Murugan Professor and Head	For having been awarded World Highest	
		Scientist Award namely "Fellow of Royal	
	Department of Physical Chemistry,	Society of Chemistry (FRSC)" for his	
	University of Madras	contribution of research potential,	
		experience and expertise in the area of	
		Physical Chemistry / Catalysis/ Nano	
		Science by The Royal Society of	
		Chemistry(RSC), London, UK on April	
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		For having been awarded " Best Paper Cash Award " for the paper published on March 2017 in the Journal of Bulletin of Materials Science titled "Efficient Functionalization of Poly (styrene) Beads Immobilized Metal Nano article catalysts for the reduction of Crystal Violet".
7.	Dr. S. Sasikala Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Madras	For having been awarded the "Best Researcher Award 2017" by University of Madras during Teacher's Day Celebration on 05.09.2017

The Vice Chancellor: We also include 18 other Faculty Members who have been awarded "Best Teacher's Award 2017" on the Teachers day i.e. on 05.09.2017 along with two faculty members who have been listed here.

Dr. S. RAMANATHAN moved the following Complimentary Resolutions:-

The Academic Council placed on record its appreciation and conveyed its congratulations to the following dignitaries.

1.	Sri. K. Hariharan Librarian, R. M. Vivekananda College (Autonomous), Mylapore, Chennai -600 004	 a. For having been awarded "Life Time Achievement Award" by Madras Library Association (MALA) on 12th August 2017. b. For have been awarded "Award of Appreciation for his outstanding contributions and achievements to the Library and Information Science Profession" by Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science (SALIS) on 12th August 2017.
2.	Dr. M. Muthu Kumaran Department of Botany R.M. Vivekananda College(Autonomous), Mylapore, Chennai -600 004	a. For having been awarded " Young Scientist of the year 2016 Award " in the field of Botany by International foundation for Environment and Ecology, Kolkata and Confederation of Indian Universities, New Delhi, India on the occasion of 3 rd International Conference on Environment and Ecology at Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College Ranchi, Jharkhand, India on 27 th March 2017.

AFFILIATED COLLEGES:

		b. For having been awarded " The Best Educationist Award for Talented Person " for his outstanding achievements in the field of Education in Botany by the International Business Council (IBC), Delhi, India in association with Indian Solidarity Council (ISC) and International Institute of Education & Management (IIEM), Delhi, on the occasion of International Seminar on "Education & Socio - Economic Development" on 3 rd June 2017.
		c. For having been awarded "Environmental Biologist of the Year 2017 Award" by the Scientific and Environmental Research Institute, Kolkata and National Institute of Cleanliness Education and Research, New Delhi on the occasion of World Environmental Day in the International Conference on "World Clean Environment Congress 2017" at India International Centre, New Delhi, India.
3.	Dr. S. Prem Kumar St.Thomas College of Arts and Science, Koyembedu,	For have been awarded " Presidential Award " on 09.05.2017.
4.	Dr. S. P. Salavani Sree Shri Krishnaswamy College for Women, Anna Nagar	For having been awarded " Young Scholar Award " on 09.05.2017.
5.	Dr. Sumuki Padmanabhan Chevalier T.Thomas Elizabeth College for Women, Sembium,	For having been awarded "National Best Librarian Award - 2017" from Madras Library Association (MALA)on August 12, 2017.

V) INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

Hon'ble Members of the Syndicate and Academic Council.

Good Morning to all of you! I extend a warm welcome to all the Members of this August Body who are present for today's meeting. I also congratulate the newly elected and nominated members for being part of this academic, decision-making body. It is indeed a great pleasure and honour for me to return to the University as the Vice-Chancellor. I thank you all for your overwhelming greetings and support.

The University Departments and Affiliated Colleges including Research Institutes are integral parts of the University. It is like two sides of the same coin. While the University Departments focus on advanced level research besides postgraduate teaching, the Colleges concentrate more on teaching at the under-graduate and post-graduate levels and also contribute to and train the youth to engage in research. Both teaching and research are inseparable. The Affiliated Colleges help us to provide access to higher education to a vast majority of students at affordable cost, without which higher education would not have reached students from rural, poor, and marginalised sections of society. Further, the students of Affiliated Colleges bring laurels to the University in academic and extra-curricular activities. Our academic standing at the National and International Levels depends on the calibre of the graduating students and the quality of our Research. It is my prime objective to enhance the quality of both teaching and research through enriched Curriculum and rigorous research. We should not merely rest on our past glories but continue to hold our pre-eminence and our University should be in the top five educational institutions in the Country. Towards this objective, I have started my work with a ten point agenda which was presented during my first Syndicate Meeting as Vice-Chancellor, which was held on May 29, 2017:

- Enhancing Academic Performance and Institutional Ranking
- Improving Teaching-Learning Activities and improving NAAC score
- Skill Development and Revamping of Courses and Curriculum
- e-Learning through Regular and Distance Learning
- Strengthening Research Activities
- Augmenting Financial Resources
- Student Support Services
- Focus on Placement and Employability
- Green and Clean Campus Initiatives
- Digitalization of administration for Paperless and Cashless Transactions

I earnestly request all of you and also others who are involved in decisionmaking to keep "Students First" in our thoughts. Our decisions and actions should be centred around this goal. I am confident that such an approach will take us to greater heights. I seek your cooperation, support and suggestion to work as a team to make this University one of the best in the Country. I would like to briefly summarize the major developments since I have taken charge as the Vice-Chancellor of this University and also my vision and future course of action to achieve the 10-point agenda:

1) 159th Annual Convocation and other Major Events:

In line with our student-centric approach, we have conducted the 159th Annual Convocation along with the 2015 Annual Convocation and 2016 Supplementary Convocation on July 15, 2017 and awarded degrees to 1216 in person and 1,02,564 in absentia. Thus we have completed the long overdue Convocation and put an end to student's anxiety. I profusely thank you all for the whole-hearted support in conducting the 159th Annual Convocation of our University. Indeed, it was a historic event in which we have awarded Ph.D. degree to 1046 candidates. It was possible because of the support from our Hon'ble Chancellor, Hon'ble Pro-Chancellor and Respected Principal Secretary for Higher Education.

I am also happy to inform this August Body that Professor V. S. Chauhan, Acting Chairman of the UGC and Chairman of the NAAC Executive Committee, visited the University and interacted with faculty members of the University and Principals of the Affiliated Colleges on July 31st 2017.

Another major event took place this week. The Malaysian Government wanted to celebrate "200 years of Tamil Education in Malaysia" in collaboration with our University and this was conducted on a grand scale on September 19th, 2017 with over 2,500 participants. We are happy to be part of the development of Tamil language and culture in Malaysia. I would like to place on record our gratitude to the Government of Tamil Nadu for extending full support and to three of our Hon'ble Ministers for attending the function along with two of the Hon'ble Ministers of the Malaysian Government. Three Principal Secretaries - Higher Education, School Education and Tamil Development and Information Department - and the Indian High Commissioner to Malaysia were also part of this event.

Post-Centenary Diamond [160 years] Jubilee Celebrations: Yet another major event which we have commenced, with the approval of the Syndicate, is the celebration to mark the completion of 160 years of establishment of the University of Madras. In the 100th year Centenary Celebrations, the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru participated and laid the foundation stone for this magnificent building. In the 150th year celebrations, the then President of India Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam inaugurated and the then Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh participated in the Valedictory function. In the same way, we would like to make the 160th year celebration a memorable one.

2. Courses, Curriculum and Student Admission

Ever since I assumed change I have put in my best efforts, to expedite the administrative processes to work fast and bring in overall academic improvement.

Curriculum and Regulations: The Regulations underlying all UG and PG programmes offered in Affiliated Colleges have been consolidated and brought into one document. As you are all aware, the University Departments have been under Common Regulation for the past two decades and now we have brought out a Common Regulation for UG and PG degree programmes offered in Affiliated Colleges which will help us to improve our regulatory mechanism. I thank the Committee headed by Dean (Academic) for their efforts to bring out this document. The Common Regulation will be uploaded in the website and will be circulated to all Colleges. This will help all those connected with higher education system in this country to access our Regulations.

Flexibility in Curriculum and Regulations: At present, students moving from one college to another or going abroad under MoU for one or two semesters are facing a lot of problems. There are not awarded overall CGPA and classification (First, Second, Third class) which affects their career. In the Globalised World, student mobility is promoted in Universities and Countries across the World. Students should be given an opportunity for such exposure and to gain knowledge. It should be noted that only meritorious students get such opportunities on a competitive basis to go aboard. Towards this objective, we plan to change our Regulation to include classification for those students. However, the grades and marks are not comparable across institutions, hence rank will not be given and such students will also not be eligible for prizes and medals based on rank in their degree programme.

I also want our honourable members to come out with innovative ideas to make our system more flexible, learner friendly and improve our examination and evaluation system. I would like to share some of my thoughts on this:

- Introducing choice in core courses
- Elective only in related disciplines
- Online based learning and examination for soft skill courses
- Online based examination partly and regular exam partly
- Moving from absolute to relative grading in Autonomous Colleges and University Departments

- New grading system based on UGC guidelines
- Adoption of courses from MOOCs and SWAYAM
- Starting of online courses in University Departments
- Moving towards Choice Based Credit System in the IDE with alternative mode(s) of delivery

I want to bring to the attention of this August Body to another important issue:

• We have been starting new degree programmes with new nomenclature but never think about its equivalence to the existing degrees. When students go out with their new degrees, they face the problem of equivalence. So I would like to request all Boards of Studies to look into the equivalence issue and state explicitly whether the new or inter-disciplinary degree programme is equivalent to the existing one or not, so that students are aware before joining the programme.

New Courses / Sections / Colleges: Based on the request from the Principals of Affiliated Colleges in the meeting held by the Vice-Chancellor along with the Principal Secretary to Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu, and to cater to the increasing demand for admission in Affiliated Colleges, 10-15% of the sanctioned strength has been increased. Additional sections have been approved following the usual procedure. We have granted approval for starting for 19 new sections, 61 courses and 3 new colleges. I appreciate and thank the hard work of the Dean (CDC), Affiliation Section and Syndicate Sub-Committee. Lateral entry has been permitted in the MCA programme. We have also allowed the University Departments to increase their sanctioned strength depending upon the availability of infrastructure and rationalised the student strength.

Student Admission: I believe that there is a remarkable change in the perception of the stakeholders and it has created confidence among students and parents. This has resulted in an increase in the number of applications from about 7,000 last year to 10,000 this year for the PG and M.Phil. Programmes and we could increase the student intake by about 20%. Similarly, student's intake in affiliated colleges has also increased by 20-25%.

3. Research

Research Programmes: We have initiated several measures to improve the quality of the M.Phil and Ph.D programmes. The Dean (Research) will exclusively look after the matters relating to research programmes. All M.Phil admissions must be closed by August 31st and the final list of candidates admitted by the Institution

should be submitted by September 15th. The University will ratify the list by the end of September and inform the institutions. We have introduced online system for Ph.D. admission and will introduce similar system for M.Phil from the next academic year.

- List of Ph.D. students: As per the UGC requirements, a list of all Ph.D students with other details such as name of the supervisor, date of joining etc., are uploaded in the University website and the status is updated constantly.
- Anti-Plagiarism: All theses submitted since June 15th 2007 have been checked for plagiarism and over 180 theses submitted over the past three months have gone through this progress without any hurdles to scholars and supervisors.
- Ph.D. Online Monitoring System: The e-governance Centre of the University has developed an online monitoring system and it has been introduced. Through this, supervisor and scholar can check the status from admission to award of degree.
- The University has started to upload the Ph.D thesis in the electronic repository Shodhganga of the INFLIBNET.
- Currently, a large number of students spend more than the minimum period of three years in the Ph.D. programmes. To speed up the progress and to complete the thesis on time, we would like to bring in new procedures to monitor the progress of work. The Dean (Research) for University Departments and Principal / Director of Institutions will be part of the Doctoral Committee meetings to recommend extension of registration for 5th and 6th years. We will bring out criteria to be satisfied by the scholar for extending the registration beyond the minimum period of three years.

Sponsored Research Projects and UGC Major Programmes: The performance of the UPE programme has been reviewed and research proposals have been invited for the next instalment of the grant. Similarly other major programmes such as CPEPA, BUILDER, CAS, SAP, FIST etc., will also be reviewed for fully utilising the grants received and also to obtain the next instalment of the grant.

Director (Research Schemes & Projects): All our research programmes including UPE, CPEPA, Nano Science, FIST, BUILDER etc., and projects to faculty members suffer due to lack of monitoring system at the University level. There is delay in submission of Utilization Certificates, Progress and Final Reports and applying for extension of programme. The Research Project Office has been

upgraded into a full-fledged office, Office of Research Schemes & Projects (RSP) and a Director (RSP) has been nominated to handle the entire plan account (Extra-mural funding of UGC, DST, DBT, Government of India, Government of Tamil Nadu, etc.,) and all extra-mural funding will be brought under one umbrella.

Honorary Emeritus Professor/Visiting Professor Scheme: To retain and utilise the knowledge and expertise of retired teachers from this and other Universities, a new scheme has been approved. The terms and conditions have been uploaded in the website. I am happy to inform that five Honorary Emeritus Professors have been nominated under this scheme.

Best Researcher Award: On the occasion of Teacher's Day 2017, the University honoured 20 teachers with Best Researcher Award based on objective criteria namely, publications in UGC listed Journals and research projects sanctioned by external agencies during the academic years 2015-16 and 2016-17. I am sure this will motivate early and mid-career faculty members and also generate healthy competition among faculty members to publish more and also apply for research grants.

4. Student Support Services

Student Support Service Centre for Online Payment: The Centre will help the IDE and Regular students to make payments by generating challans for the appropriate amount based on student database. Handwritten challans will be completely eliminated. Eventually we will move to online payment through ECS/NEFT system for all fund transfers.

Grievance Redressal Camp was conducted and certificates were issued for a majority of those registered through online or those who came in person. Now the online system is open and it will continue to address grievances on an ongoing basis.

Examination Results: The UG/PG examination results of both Regular and IDE have been published on time and revaluation and re-totalling have been completed in record time. We have also published the results of the instant examination held in July. I am also thankful to the Controller of Examinations and his staff for having published the results on time.

5. Administration

Paperless Administration: It is a notable achievement that we have moved from print to electronic media to communicate Syndicate meeting notice and agenda, thus moving away from the 160 year old practice. I thank the Syndicate for the

progressive decision. With the support of the members of this August Body, we will also move towards paperless transaction to conduct the Academic Council and Senate meetings. We may be the first public University in this country to move to paperless transaction in statutory bodies.

Appointment of Registrar, Controller of Examinations and Director, IDE: We have taken steps to appoint the above key functionaries.

CAS for Teachers: The CAS is due for over two years. We have started the process. 81 faculty members have completed the minimum number of years for promotion, 46 faculty members are yet to apply. Only 28 applications are ready to be placed before the screening committee for interview.

6. Infrastructure

Hon'ble Chief Minister, in the presence of Hon'ble Education Minister, Chief Secretary and Principal Secretary to Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu inaugurated the new building for the Schools of Chemical Sciences and Earth Sciences on July 4, 2017. The departments have started to occupy the new building. Several works have been undertaken under RUSA fund to improve the infrastructure in all the four campuses.

Additional Women's Hostel: The number of women students admitted to first year PG programmes has increased by about 20 percent this year. The old Men's Hostel at Taramani has been converted to a Women's Hostel and opened up for women students.

Guest Houses: A Committee has been constituted to come out with recommendations to manage the Marina Guest House including the ASC Guest House and the proposed V.I.P guest house (VC's Bungalow) have been taken up.

Thank you!

Dr. S. Manivasakan: Most respected Vice-Chancellor and members of the August Body, very good remarks given by the Vice-Chancellor. However, there are two areas in which financial matters are involved. One is about Ph.D we give admission by collecting tuition fee by the Affiliated Colleges and Madras University. For registration we collect Rs. 1000/- for submission of thesis, Rs. 2000/- for fulltime and Rs.3000/- for part-time. Full-time thesis application cost is Rs.60/- and for part-time Rs.4000 and subsequently Rs.5000. But we are spending Rs.14,900/- we are not collecting any single paise. However every year minimum 1000 Ph.Ds are awarded. We are losing nearly Rs.1.00 crore for evaluation purpose from the University funds.

I request through this august body to fix evaluation fee. \$150 for Foreign Examiners, Rs.1000 for Indian Examiner, for supervisor for conducting Viva-voce Rs.200. Hence, total comes to Rs.14,940/-. Secondly, there is a new draft which has come from the UGC on 1st September stating that there are two issues pertaining to this. University shall train students, faculty, staff for using plagiarism detective tools and referring management tools and secondly especially equipped facilities with modern Technology for detecting plagiarism. Even PG project report, M.Phil project report comes under plagiarism. So we request the Vice-Chancellor to provide facilities for going through this tool. Thirdly, PG admission three faculty members in the Department are having three different PG Programmes. I keep on raising this issue in the Academic Council. The PG Admissions should be streamlined within the Department itself. We should not be allowed more than one or two then it will pave the way for financial crunch in the Department.

Dr. K. Jothi Sivagnanam: Most respected Chairman and Members of this august body, I feel happy to make few Complimentary remarks to welcome our Vice-Chancellor before going into our regular agenda. Our University is well-known for its age-old glory and eminence for its contribution to higher learning for more than century and a half. It has been ranked as one among top three within best five Universities in the Country. However, such pre-eminence has faced certain challenges particularly during the last couple of years. Now this appointment of our new Vice-Chancellor has become most fitting response to address all those challenges. Being a committed academician and having extensive experience in holding various capacities like Dean, Director, Syndicate Member, Registrar and even Convenor's Committee member to Administer in the absence of Vice-Chancellor he has been instrumental in getting UGC UPS Phase-II. One of our Syndicate Member's Prof. Sundaram has pointed out that from Day-1 of his appointment he has initiated various reforms including 10 point Charter. Even beyond he has initiated several reforms. Most important point is most of those reforms are academic oriented, students and teachers centered. I have no doubt during your tenure the University will certainly regain its pre-eminence. On behalf of all of us I welcome our new Vice-Chancellor. We all will extend our wholehearted support to realize your 10 point charter and even beyond that to regain and sustain pre-eminence of our University. With this remarks, I move to the regular agenda.

(i) Business brought forward by the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate

VI) 1. Considered assigning the new members of the Academic Council to the various faculties in accordance with Regulation 4 of the Chapter XIV, Volume-I of the laws of the University Calendar, 2016.

(i) The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. K. JOTHI SIVAGNANAM** moved that the new members of the Academic Council be assigned to the **FACULTY OF ARTS** as hereunder.

- Dr. S. RAMACHANDRAN, M.A., Ph.D Assistant Professor & Head i/c, Dr. Ambedkar Centre for Economic Studies, University of Madras, Chennai - 600 005
- 2. Dr. M. THAMILARASAN, M.A., Ph.D., Assistant Professor & Head i/c Department of Sociology, University of Madras, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005

3. Dr. M. VENKATACHALALPATHY, M.A., Ph.D Assistant Professor and Head i/c

Department of Philosophy University of Madras, Chepauk, Chennai – 600 005.

4. THIRU. M. SIVAKUMAR,

President, Vallal S.I. Alagarsamy Chettiar Higher Secondary School, Royapuram, Chennai - 600 013.

Mr. E. RAVICHANDRAN, M.A., M.Phil., Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, S.S. Government Arts College, Tiruttani - 631 209.

6. Dr. A. JOSEPH DURAI, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D., Principal, Patrician College of Arts and Science, Canal Bank Road, Gandhi Nagar, Adyar, Chennai - 600 020

 Dr. V. LAKSHMI, M.A., Ph.D., Principal, DRBCC Hindu College, Pattibiram, Chennai 600 072

(ii) The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. M. SELVARAJ** moved that the new members of the Academic Council be assigned to the **FACULTY OF SCIENCE** as hereunder.

 Dr. S. JANARTHANAN, M.Sc., Ph.D Professor and Head Department of Zoology, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai – 600 025.

Dr. ELANGOVAN VELLAICHAMY, M.Sc., Ph.D., Professor and Head, Department of Bio Chemistry, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai - 600 025

3. Dr. E. MURUGAN M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D., Professor and Head Department of Physical Chemistry, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai - 600 025

4. Dr. S. THIRUMAGAN, M.Sc., M.B.A, M.A, M.Phil, Ph.D

Principal, Hindustan College of Arts and Science, Rajiv Gandhi Salai (OMR), Padur, Kelambakkam - 603 103

5. Dr. V. SARAVANAN, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.,

Head i/c., Department of Microbiology, Tagore College of Arts and Science, Chrompet, Chennai - 600 044.

6. Mrs. N. MEENAKSHI, M.Sc.,

Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry Bharathi Women's College (Autonomous) Prakasam Salai, Chennai - 600 108

7. Dr. R. SARUMATHI, M.Sc, M.Phil, Ph.D

Principal, Bharathi Women's College (Autonomous) Chennai - 600 108

Dr. (Tmt) D. FREEDA GNANA RANI, M.Sc, M.Phil, Ph.D Principal, Quaid-E-Millath Govt. College for Women's College (Autonomous) Chennai - 600 002

- 9. Dr. V. RAJENDRAN, M.Sc, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Head, Department of Chemistry Pachaiyappa's College for Men Kanchipuram 631 501
- 10. Tmt. S. ARUNARANI, M.Sc, M.Phil, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Application, Prince Shri Venkateswara Arts and Science College, Gowrivakkam, Chennai - 600 073
- 11. Mrs. A. SHENBAGA PRIYA, M.Sc, M.Phil., Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Mathematics St. Anne's Arts and Science College Madavaram. Chennai 600 110
- Dr. R. PALANISAMY, M.Sc., M.Ed., B.L., Ph.D., Commissioner, Director of Technical Education, Guindy, Chennai 600 032

(iii) The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. K. RAVICHANDRAN** moved that the new members of the Academic Council be assigned to the **FACULTY OF MEDICINE** as hereunder.

1. Dr. M. ELANCHEZHIYAN, M.Sc., Ph.D., Professor and Head Department of Microbiology University of Madras, Taramani Campus Chennai - 600 113

(iv) The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. S. MURUGESAN** moved that the new members of the Academic Council be assigned to the **FACULTY OF COMMERCE** as hereunder.

 Dr. CECILY, M.Com., M.Phil, Ph.D., Assistant Professor and Head Department of Commerce, Guru Shree Shantivijai Jain College for Women Vepery, Chennai - 600 007.

- 2. Mrs. B. ARASI, M.Com., M.Phil., M.B.A., Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Annai Veilankanni's College for Women, West Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015.
- 3. Mrs. J. LINTA JOSEPHINE, M.Com., M.Phil, B.Ed., Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, C.S.I. Ewart Women's Christian College, Melrosapuram, Kanchipuram - 603 204
- 4. **Dr. S. BHOOMA, M.Com., Ph.D.,** Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, JBAS College for Women, Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018.

5. THIRU. P. KUMARAVEL, M.Com., M.Phil.,

Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, TMG College of Arts and Science, No.85, Mudichur Road, Manimangalam, Chennai - 601 301

6. Mrs. V. KOTHAINAYAKI,

Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, R.B.Gothi Jain College for Women, Redhills, Chennai 600 052

(v) The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. T. P. RADHAKRISHNAN** moved that the new members of the Academic Council be assigned to the **FACULTY OF INDIAN AND OTHER LANGUAGES** as hereunder.

 Dr. K. HABEEB AHMED, M.A., Ph.D Associate Professor and Head i/c Department of Arabic, Persian and Urdu Marina Campus, University of Madras Chennai – 600 005.

2. Dr. V. MEENA KUMARI, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of English, Anna Adarsh College for Women Chennai - 600 040.

- Dr. S. MANGAYARKARASI, M.A, M.Phil, Ph.D Principal,
 R.B. Gothi Jain College for Women,
 # 13, Sothupakkam Darkash Road,
 Pulliline, Redhills, Chennai 600 052.
- Dr. S. THIRUMALAI, M.A., Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit, Sri Malolan College of Arts and Science Madurantakam 603 306

The Vice-Chancellor: I extend a hearty welcome to all the new members of this August body.

VII) 2. The Vice-Chancellor placed before the Academic Council for information the proceedings of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on Thursday, the 17th August 2017. (Vide APPENDIX - A).

VIII) 3. The Vice Chancellor reported that under Statute 41 of Chapter XXVI – Affiliation and Approval of Colleges, Volume-I, University Calendar 2016, the Syndicate has granted the fresh and further affiliation to the Arts and Science Colleges and name of the courses in **APPENDIX-1** for the academic year 2016-2017 and 2017-2018.

(ii) Business brought forward by the Board of Studies

IX. 4. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Departmental Committee and School Committee suggesting the addition/deletion and change of title in the Syllabus and Scheme of Examination in the existing M.A Degree Course in **(1)** Christian Scriptures and **(2)** Comparative Religion and Philosophy with specialization in Christian Studies offered by the Department of Christian Studies, University of Madras, under CBCS pattern from the academic year 2017-2018.

The above recommendations of the Departmental Committee and School Committee were communicated to the Professor and Head, Department of Christian Studies, University of Madras, pending approval of the Academic Council and the Senate.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. G. PATRICK** moved that (i) the decisions of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the additions/deletions and change of title in the Syllabus and Scheme of Examination in the existing **M.A Degree Course in (1) Christian Scriptures and (2)Comparative Religion and Philosophy with specialization in Christian Studies offered by the Department of Christian Studies, University of Madras, under**

CBCS pattern as given in **APPENDICES - 2 & 3 (R&S)** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

Dr. M. Venkatachalapathy seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor: O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

X. 5. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Departmental Committee of Applied Geology and School Committee of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences suggesting that (a) the revision of eligibility criteria and (b) Additions / Deletions / Modifications and revision of Syllabus in the existing M.Sc Applied Geology Course offered by the Department of Applied Geology, University of Madras under CBCS pattern from the academic year 2017-2018.

The above recommendations of the Departmental Committee of Applied Geology and School Committee of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences were communicated to the Professor and Head, Department of Applied Geology, University of Madras pending approval of the Academic Council and the Senate.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. R. R. KRISHNAMURTHY** moved that (a) the revision of eligibility criteria and (b) Additions / Deletions / Modifications and revision of Syllabus in the existing **M.Sc Applied Geology Course offered by the Department of Applied Geology**, **University of Madras** as given in **APPENDIX - 4 (R&S)** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

Dr. R. Jaganathan seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor: O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**

XI. 6. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Departmental / School Committee of the Management Studies suggesting that the additions / deletions, changes of Syllabus and Scheme of examination in the existing M.B.A (Full Time) P.G Degree Course under CBCS pattern offered by the Department of Management Studies, University of Madras, from the academic year 2017-2018.

The above recommendations of Departmental / School Committee of Management Studies were communicated to the Professor and Head, Department of Management Studies, University of Madras, pending approval of the Academic Council and the Senate. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. R. THENMOZHI** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the **additions / deletions, changes of Syllabus and Scheme of examinations in the existing M.B.A (Full Time) P.G Degree Course offered by the Department of Management Studies, University of Madras, under CBCS pattern as given in APPENDIX - 5 (R&S)** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

Dr. S. Gurusamy seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

XII. 7. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Business and Industrial Management (PG) suggesting that the revision of Scheme of Examinations and Syllabus of M.B.A (Full Time) Programme under Choice Based Credit System to be offered in the affiliated Arts and Science Colleges to take effect from the academic year 2018-2019.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. R. THENMOZHI** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the **revision of Scheme of Examinations and Syllabus of M.B.A (Full Time) programme under Choice Based Credit System to be offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges** as given in **APPENDIX - 6 (R&S)** be approved to take effect from the academic year 2018-2019 and thereafter.

Dr. S. Ramanathan seconded the motion.

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to VOTE and **CARRIED**.

XIII. 8. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Departmental Committee of Library and Information Science and School Committee of Information and Communication Studies suggesting that the revision of Syllabus and additions / deletions / modifications in the existing course of Master of Library and Information Science (M.Lib.I.Sc.) under CBCS pattern offered by the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Madras from the academic year 2017-2018.

The above recommendations of the Departmental / School Committee were communicated to the Professor and Head, Department of Journalism and Communication, University of Madras pending approval of the Academic Council and the Senate. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. V. CHANDRAKUMAR** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the revision of Syllabus and additions / deletions / modifications in the existing course **Master of Library and Information Science (M.Lib.I.Sc) offered by the Department of Library and Information Science, University of Madras under CBCS pattern** as given in **APPENDIX - 7 (R&S)** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

Dr. G. Ravindran seconded the motion.

The Vice Chancellor: O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**

XIV. 9. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 29th May 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Departmental / School Committee of Economics suggesting that the change of nomenclature from M.A Indian Economics to M.A Economics (Indian Economics) offered by the Department of Economics, University of Madras under CBCS pattern from the academic year 2016-2017.

The above recommendations of the Departmental / School Committee of Economics were communicated to the Professor and Head, Department of Economics, University of Madras, pending approval of the Academic Council and Senate.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. K. JOTHI SIVAGNANAM** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the change of nomenclature of M.A Indian Economics be changed as M.A Economics (Indian Economics) **offered by the Department of Economics**, **University of Madras under CBCS pattern** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2016-17 and thereafter.

Dr. S. Ramanathan seconded the motion.

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**

XV. 10. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Journalism and Communication (Common) suggesting that the revised of Scheme of Examination and Syllabus of M.A Degree Course in Journalism and Communication under Choice Based Credit System to be offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges to take effect from the academic year 2016-2017. i.e. for the batch of students admitted to the course during the academic year 2016-2017 and thereafter.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. G. RAVINDRAN** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the **revised Scheme of Examinations and Syllabus of M.A Degree Course in Journalism and Communication** under Choice Based Credit System to be offered in the **Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges** as given in **APPENDIX - 8 (R&S)** be approved and ratified to take effect from the academic year 2016-2017 i.e., for the batch of students admitted to the course during the academic year 2016-2017 and thereafter.

Dr. V. Chandrakumar seconded the motion.

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**

XVI. 11. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 21st April 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Chemistry (UG) suggesting the revised Scheme of Examination and Syllabus for Second and Third year of B.Sc Degree Course in Chemistry under Choice Based Credit System to be offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges to take effect from the academic year 2018-2019, i.e. for the batch of students admitted to the course from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

The Regulations and Syllabus for the First year of B. Sc Degree Course in Chemistry offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges was placed and approved by the Academic Council and the Senate at its meetings held on 25th February 2017 and 25th March 2017 respectively.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended and **Dr. A. SULTAN NASAR** moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) **the revised Scheme of Examinations and Syllabus for the Second and Third year of B.Sc Degree Course in Chemistry under Choice Based Credit System** to be offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges as given in **APPENDIX - 9** (**R&S**) be approved to take effect from the academic year 2018-2019, i.e. for the batch of students admitted to the course from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

Dr. E. Murugan seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

XVII. 11.1. The Syndicate at its held on 11th August 2017 considered the adoption of University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil.,/Ph.D., Degree) Regulation, 2016 as notified in The Gazette of India [No.28, part-III-Section 4] 5th May 2016 and resolved that the University Grants Commission(**Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil.,/Ph.D., Degree) Regulation, 2016** as notified in The Gazette of India [No.28, part-III-Section 4] 5th May 2016 and resolved that the University Grants Commission(**Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil.,/Ph.D., Degree) Regulation, 2016** as notified in The Gazette of India [No.28, part-III-Section 4] 5th May 2016 be adopted in this University.

Dr. K. JOTHI SIVAGNANAM moved that the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D., Degree) Regulation, 2016 as notified in The Gazette of India [No.28, part-III – Section 4] 5th May 2016 as given in APPENDIX - 10 (R) be adopted by this University

Dr. S. Manivasakan seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**.

XVIII. 11.2. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 has considered the letter No.10494 / J2 / 2017-1, dated 13.07.2017 received from the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education (J2) Department, Secretariat, regarding implementation of 5% reservation of seats for person with benchmark disabilities and also upper age relaxation of five years for admission in the University Departments.

Resolved that the Section 32 (1) of the Right of Persons with Disabilities Act of 2016 which requires that all the Government Institutions of Higher Education and other Higher Education Institutions receiving aid from the Government shall reserve not less than five percentage (5%) seats for persons with benchmark disabilities be approved and implemented in the University Research Department from the Academic Year 2018-2019 onwards.

Dr. G. RAVINDRAN moved it be a recommendation to the Senate that the implementation of five percentage (5%) reservation of seats for person with benchmark disabilities under the section 32(1) of Right to person with Disabilities Act of 2016 in the University Research Departments, University of Madras be approved to take effect from the academic year 2018-2019.

Dr. N. Shettu seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**

XIX. 11.3. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 5th July 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Syndicate Sub-committee on Courses and Curriculum Development Committee suggesting the Regulations and Syllabi for the following

Degree Courses to be offered under CBCS in the various Autonomous Arts and Science Colleges with strict adherence of the University / TANSCHE format as given in **APPENDICES (R&S)** as indicated against each.

- (1) Regulations and Syllabi of the courses viz., (i) B.A English, (ii) Master of Social Work for the academic year 2016-2017 and (iii) B.Sc Biotechnology for the academic year 2017-2018 to be offered in **Guru Nanak College** (Autonomous), Chennai as given in **APPENDIX 11**.
- (2) Regulations and Syllabi for the following 11 UG Degree Courses and 11 PG Degree Courses to be offered in the Sri Sankara Arts and Science College (Autonomous) as given in APPENDIX-12 with effect from the academic year 2017-2018 and thereafter.

UG Degree Courses

- (i) B.A. English
- (ii) B.A. Tamil
- (iii) B.Sc. Mathematics
- (iv) B.Sc. Physics
- (v) B.Sc. Bio-Chemistry
- (vi) B.Sc. Microbiology
- (vii) B.Sc. Bio-Technology
- (viii) B.Sc. Computer Science
- (ix) Bachelor of Computer Application
- (x) B.Com (General) Commerce
- (xi) Bachelor of Business Administration

PG Degree Courses

- (i) M.A. English
- (ii) M.Sc. Mathematics
- (iii) M.Sc. Bio-Chemistry
- (iv) M.Sc. Applied Microbiology
- (v) M.Sc. Bio-Technology
- (vi) M.Sc. Computer Science
- (vii) M.Sc.Computer Science and Technology (5 years integrated),
- (viii) M.Com. Commerce
- (ix) M.B.A.
- (x) M.A Tamil
- (xi) M.Sc Physics
- (3) Regulations and Syllabus of B.Sc Psychology to be offered in the M.O.P.Vaishnav College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai as given in APPENDIX-13 with effect from the academic year 2016-2017 and thereafter.
- (4) Regulation and Syllabi of the courses viz., (i) B.Com (Accounting and Finance) and (ii) M.Sc (Physics) to be offered in **Justice Basher Ahmed**

Sayeed College for Women, Chennai with effect from the Academic Year 2015-2016. (These two courses were already been approved by the Syndicate /Academic Council /Senate meetings for the academic year 2016-2017 and offering by the said college for the above courses at present.)

(5) Regulations and Syllabi for change of allied papers of B.Sc (Mathematics) I year Semester - I and Semester - II in S. D. N. Bhatt Vaishnav College for Women (Autonomous), Chennai as given in APPENDIX-14 with effect from the academic year 2016-2017 and thereafter.

Allied papers:

Option1 :Financial Accounting and Management accounting for first and second semester respectively.

Option2: Physics I and Physics II for first and second semester respectively.

The Syndicate reported the above matter to the Academic Council for its approval and ratification.

Dr. V. Mahadevan seconded the motion.

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

XX. 11.4. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Adhoc Committee suggesting the suspension of (i) **M.D. (Pathology) Degree Course and Diploma in Clinical Pathology** Course in Pathology offered in the Department of Pathology and (ii) **M.D (Pharmacology) Degree Course** offered in the Department of Pharmacology and Environmental Toxicology, University of Madras from the academic year 2017-2018.

Dr. V. BHUVARAHAMURTHY moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved; (ii) it be a recommendation to the Senate that the suspension of **(a) M.D. (Pathology) Degree Course and Diploma in Clinical Pathology Course** in Pathology offered in the Department of Pathology and **(b) M.D (Pharmacology)** Degree Course offered in the Department of Pharmacology and Environmental Toxicology, University of Madras be approved with effect from the academic year 2017-2018.

Dr. Elangovan Vellaichamy seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED**
XXI. 11.5. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 accepted the recommendations of the University Grants Commission suggesting that the implementation of revised Syllabus for **Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses** (AECC - Environmental Studies) to be offered in III & IV semesters of all UG programmes in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges of this University with effect from the academic year 2018-2019 i.e. for the batch of candidates admitted to the course from the academic year 2017-2018.

Dr. R. JAGANATHAN moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved; and (ii) **the implementation of revised Syllabus of Environmental Studies in III & IV semesters of all UG Programmes** offered in the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges of this University as given in **APPENDIX - 15 (S)** be approved to take effect from year 2018-2019 i.e. for the batch of candidates admitted to the course from the academic year 2017-2018.

Dr. M. Venkatramanan seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to VOTE and **CARRIED**

XXII. 11.6. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 considered the letters received from the University Grants Commission (i) D. O. No. F. 12-1 /2015(CPP-II), dated:15th October 2015 relating to the Guidelines on Determination of a Span Period within which a student may be allowed to qualify for a Degree; (ii) D.O.No.F.30-57/2012/(CVO), dated: 14th March 2016 with regard to inclusion of Chapter on topics such as Vigilance, Ethics, Anti Corruption etc. to be included in the curriculum of all Under Graduate and Post Graduate Courses; and (iii) D.O.No.9-2/2017(CPP-II), dated:31st January 2017.

RESOLVED that the contents of the letters received from the University Grants Commission (i) D.O.No.F12-1/2015(CPP-II), Dated: 15th October 2015; (ii) D.O.No.F.30-57/2012/(CVO) Dated: 14th March 2016 and (iii) D.O. No. 9-2 /2017 (CPP- II), dated: 31st January 2017 regarding to Review/revision of the curricula once in 3 years for all degree courses offered in this University be noted and accepted.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the UGC recommendations for the time span of the completion of the Degree courses of UG will be 3+2 and for PG will be 2 +2 be approved.

RESOLVED ALSO that in the exceptional cases like major accidents and child birth an extension of one year be considered beyond maximum span of time as mentioned in the above resolution.

RESOLVED that the suggestions of UGC with regard to inclusion of chapter on topics such as Ethics, Vigilance, Anti Corruption, details of the organizations / agencies such as Central Vigilance Commission, Central Bureau of Investigation, etc., associated with anti corruption and how and whom to make complaints regarding corrupt practices, be included in the curriculum for all students be accepted.

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the UGC that the performance of all academic departments in Universities should be reviewed at least once in every three years and academic curricula should focus on the existing and potential demand and supply of skills sets to make the University / College students employable be accepted.

Dr. V. BHARATHI HARISHANKAR moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the above recommendations of UGC for (1) inclusion of the Guidelines on determination of a **Uniform span Period within which a student may be allowed to qualify for a Degree** in the respective Regulations with effect from the academic year 2018-2019; (2) inclusion of chapter on topics such as **Ethics**, **Vigilance**, **Anti Corruption**, **details of the organizations/ agencies such as Central Vigilance Commission**, **Central Bureau of investigation**, etc., in the respective Syllabus and (3) the performance of all academic departments in Universities should be **reviewed at least once in every three years and academic curricula should focus on the existing and potential demand and supply of skills sets to make the University / College students employable** in the respective Regulations be approved.

Dr. S. Gurusamy seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to VOTE and CARRIED

XXIII. 11.7. The Syndicate at its held on 11th August 2017 considered the letters received from Dr. Jaspal S. Sandhu, Secretary, University Grants Commissions, Ministry of Human Resource Development, for **adoption of MOOC Course through SWAYAM** and RESOLVED that the Gazette of India, Publication No.295, New Delhi, with regard to UGC (Credit Framework for online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) 2016 be adopted and implemented in the University.

Dr. G. RAVINDRAN moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved and (ii) the recommendations of UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) (Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Regulation 2016 for **adoption of suitable MOOC (Massive Open Online Courses) through SWAYAM** to be offered in the University Departments, Institute of Distance Education and Affiliated Colleges of this University be approved.

Dr. M. Selvaraj seconded the motion

The Vice Chancellor O.K., approved.

Then the motion was put to VOTE and CARRIED

XXIV. 11.8. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 accepted the recommendations of the Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor suggesting that integrating common regulations for Under graduate and Post Graduate Programmes offered in the affiliated Arts and Science Colleges (including Autonomous and Non-Autonomous Colleges).

Dr. S. GURUSAMY moved that (i) the decision of the Syndicate be approved; (ii) Integrated common regulations for Under Graduate and Post Graduate Programmes offered in the affiliated Arts and Science Colleges (including Autonomous and Non-Autonomous Colleges) as given in APPENDIX-16 (R) be approved.

Dr. S. Gurusamy: Ever since the Vice-Chancellor took office, he is very much focused on bringing about Common Regulations which will serve as ready reference and ready reckoner relating to problems raised in the minds of college Principals relating to admission as to how to go about admission and so on and so forth. So I am very much working on fine tuning of bringing about integrated Common Regulations which will be applicable for all UG and PG admission for autonomous and non-autonomous colleges. So it is the brain child of the Vice-Chancellor. I would like to thank the Vice-Chancellor more profusely for giving me this chance to work out and bring out Common Regulations to deal with all the UG and PG problems. Therefore, through this august body I would request all the members kindly to go through the contents of these regulations and give us a feed back so that we will be able to update it and make it very very perfect and we will put it on the University website so that anybody can view, particularly the Colleges.

The Vice-Chancellor: We have made all efforts to give accurate information in the Common Regulations. We have sent draft to all Chairpersons by email and also to all Principals. We have got feedback and incorporated in the final version, still there may be some mistakes. If you come across anything, you can report to the Dean Academic. We will incorporate it and sent it to all Colleges.

Dr. S. Murugesan Seconded the motion **The Vice-Chancellor**: O.K. approval Then the motion was put to **VOTE** and **CARRIED** **XXV. 11.9:** The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 considered the report of the Registrar i/c with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting of the Heads of the Departments held on 19.07.2017 and 20.07.2017 to revise the sanctioned strength (w.e.f. 2017-2018 onwards) based on the number of students admitted in the last three years for the M.A., M.Sc., M.Phil courses offered by the various University Departments be approved & ratified and Resolved further as follows:

RESOLVED FURTHER that the revised sanctioned strength of admission in the University Teaching and Research Departments be approved from the Academic year 2017-2018 onwards including ex-post facto approval for the academic year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 as the Departments restricted to intake of students based on availability and other facilities.

The above matter has been reported to the Academic Council.

(iii) Resolution given notice of by Members

Since the Member Dr. S. J. Venkatesan was not present in the forum, the following resolution given notice of by him could not be moved:

DR. S. J. VENKATESAN

XXVI. 12. Resolved that the University be requested that to change the question pattern for the UG Degree. By the existing structure the students did not study the entire syllabus. But they are facing the difficulties in pursuing their higher studies. Hence the question pattern may please be given in the following pattern. Instead of giving 5 out of 8 and 3 out of 5 it may be in the format of '**internal choice'** (Either or pattern). Then only students will study the entire syllabus and it is very helpful in pursuing their higher studies.

Dr. M. VENKATRAMANAN As per the existing Regulations, the Pattern of Question Paper for all UG degree courses recommended by all UG Boards of Studies concerned approved by the Academic Council and the Senate; which reads as follows;

UG degree courses, the pattern of question paper: PART-A (50 words) : Answer 10 out of 12 Questions 10 x 2 = 20 marks PART-B (200 words) : Answer 5 out of 7 Questions 5 x 5 = 25 marks

PART-C (500 words) : Answer 3 out of 5 Questions $3 \times 10 = 30$ marks

However, the request of the Hon'ble Member to change the question paper pattern of all UG Courses, may be referred to all UG Chairpersons, Boards of Studies for their consideration.

XXVII Dr. RITA JOHN moved the following resolutions

13. Resolved that the University be requested to mention the subject of research as PHYSICS under the title of the thesis for scholars who will be completing their Ph.D. from the Department of Nuclear Physics and the Department of Theoretical Physics under the School of Physical Sciences, University of Madras.

Dr. V. MAHADEVAN As per the existing Ph.D Regulation 10.6 Format of the Degree states as follows:

The Ph.D Degree Certificate shall incorporate the title of the thesis along with the names of the faculty/faculties and disciplines as in Appendices G & G1 (copy enclosed).

In the case of the award of the Ph.D Degree for inter-disciplinary research, the degree certificate shall bear both the subjects of the candidate's post graduate degree and the discipline of the department in which the candidate has conducted his/her doctoral research mentioning them as **"inter-disciplinary**".

Based on the above Regulations the admission letter of the Ph.D programme will be issued to the candidate by mentioning the discipline of the department as subject.

The Vice-Chancellor: I would like to supplement since this has been an issue. Some of the departments are, at the time of viva-voce examination, passing a resolution in the department committee or in the viva examination that the degree should be given in a different discipline which is not in accordance with the university regulations. So we are not able to accept it. We are going to revise the Ph.D Regulations based on the UGC as well as our existing regulations. We will consider this issue when revising the regulations. We should consider closely related subject as one broad area and award the degree as pointed out by Dr. Rita John. But, anyway it is left to the HOD's, Chariman of Boards of Studies, Chairman of the University Schools to come out with the recommendations which we will consider in the forthcoming Academic Council meeting.

XXVIII. DR. S. BASHEER AHAMED moved the following resolutions

14 Extension - for passing NET / SET Examinations

Resolved that the University be requested to extend exemption to the college teachers in the Departments of **English**, **Computer Science**,

Statistics, Naatya etc. As per the UGC norms, it is mandatory for college teachers to pass the **NET/SET** exams to be eligible for permanent teaching post. But the University has exempted teachers from this requirement till the year 2014. A request is placed before the University to extend this exemption to the present batch of teachers till they pass NET/ SET Examinations.

I am moving this resolution because we have already awarded degrees to many students where teachers with M.Phil have produced graduates. Now it is for us to decide whether degrees that we have offered to the students if it is valued this qualification should also be valid. This is my humble request.

Dr. N. SHETTU It is submitted that the Syndicate at its meeting held on 11.08.2017 has considered the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate Committee on Recognition, Affiliation and Inspection of Colleges held on 21.07.2017 with regard to the exemption granted to the teachers from UGC / NET / SLET / Ph.D handling subject viz. Computer Science, Media Arts, English, Natya, Hotel and Catering Management, Interior Design, Mathematics, Social Work, Management, Communication & Journalism, Bio-technology, Bio-informatics, Statistics, Yoga, Physical Education and Library for the year 2017-2018 only and resolved as follows:-

"RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Affiliation Committee meeting held on 21.07.2017 be noted.

RESOLVED FURTHER that atleast 35% of the sanctioned strength of the teachers in the Department of Computer Science, Media Arts, English, Natya, Hotel and Catering Management, Interior Design, Mathematics, Social Work, Management, Communication & Journalism, Bio-technology and Bio-informatics, Statistics, Yoga, Physical Education and Library should have qualified UGC-NET / SLET / Ph.D for the academic year 2017-2018 only"

Further, it is submitted that as per the Resolution passed in the above Syndicate and the same was communicated to all the Principals of the Aided & Selffinancing Arts and Science Colleges affiliated to this University.

XXIX & XXX. Mr. EDISON RATHINAM moved the following resolutions

15. Resolved that the University be requested to insist the Boards of Studies to receive suggestions from Heads of Department of all the affiliated colleges to upgrade the syllabi.

Dr.R.THENMOZHI The suggestion regarding addition / deletion of Syllabus received from the faculties / Heads of Departments of all the affiliated Arts and Science Colleges to upgrade the **respective Syllabus would be placed before the Boards of Studies concerned for its consideration**.

16. Resolved that the University be requested to insist the Boards of Studies to perform upgradation of the syllabi for every 4 or 5 years with respect to currently trending technologies and the industry requirements.

Dr. G. Ravindran A D.O. Letter.No.9-2/2017 (CPP-II) on 31st January 2017 received from the University Grant Commission has recommended that, the curricula of all Academic Departments in Universities should be reviewed and revised at least once in every three years. This review and revision of academic curricula should focus on the existing and potential demand and supply of skill sets to make the University and College students employable.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11th August 2017 has considered the above UGC recommendation and resolved as follows;

"**RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the UGC that the performance of all academic departments in Universities should be reviewed at least once in every three years and the academic curricula should focus on the existing and potential demand and supply of skill sets to make the University/Colleges students employable, be accepted."

"**RESOLVED ALSO** that the above items be referred to all UG/PG Chairpersons of the Boards of Studies to consider and incorporate in the Regulations and Syllabus".

As per the above decision of the Syndicate, **the matter has to be referred to all UG and PG Chairpersons of Boards of Studies concerned for taking further action**.

XXXI. T. BALACHANDAR moved the following resolutions.

16. Resolved that the University be requested to replace the Business Taxation / Indirect Taxes subjects by newly updated GST in UG and PG Courses.

Dr. S. MURUGESAN The member has not mentioned any specific discipline and the subjects mentioned may be referred to BOS in commerce and Allied Degree Courses (UG), Commerce, Bank Management and Industrial Organization (PG), Corporate Secretaryship (Common), Business and Industrial Management (UG), and Business and Industrial Management (PG) for their consideration.

POINTS OF ORDER:

XXXII. Dr. C. Venkateswaran: Respected Chairman and Members of the August Body, this is regarding the resolution moved by Prof. Rita John for the award Ph.D degree in Nuclear Physics and Theoretical Physics. The problem arises because of the fact that many students who complete through TRB they face equivalence problems. In order to help them only this has been passed. May I request this body to consider this request once again?

Dr. K. Jothi Sivagnanam: Sir, the Resolution moved by Dr. Rita John and discussed by Dr. C. Venkateswaran, they have got a serious problem including the Nuclear Physics. Even the teachers could not go to Foreign Countries. Foreigners are looking at it differently. It comes under the same School.

The Vice-Chancellor: We will consult the Chairpersons of all the schools and then decide how to specify the name of the discipline in which the degree is to be awarded. If all the departments of a school agree, we have no problem in awarding the degree in the conventional nomenclature.

XXXIII. Dr. V. Bhuvarahamurthy: Sir, one request Campus in Taramani, the students Cafeteria and dining hall still flooded. You have already taken some initiatives. As per the request at the last meeting, we have increased the students strength but the infrastructure is not there, Furniture, AC is not there.

The Vice-Chancellor: We have increased the student's strength based on the available infrastructure and the number of teachers. We have never promised to give additional infrastructure.

XXXIV. Dr. S. Manivasakan: Sir, regarding usage of Nuclear Physics, there is a big task for the students getting job. Please reconsider this.

The Vice-Chancellor: If the Schools agree we have no problems.

XXXV. Dr. S. Manivasakan: Second, this is relating to ATR (action taken report) Item-2. Plagiarism I request the University like other Universities to provide direct facilities to access for all the faculty members to log in and put all the reports, projects they have to get direct access and not through COE's office. It will be messy. Already lot of work there. We should not go and put reports etc., initially it shows 3% sometimes, if they have not deleted the previous, it will be a lot of confusion and it shows 80% so we have to go for like Central Universities Pondicherry. Otherwise it would be major hurdles for the faculty members. I, therefore, request you to install any alternative packages providing for the faculties to access plagiarism about students in UG, PG, M.Phil, Ph.D and other reports.

The Vice-Chancellor: The existing arrangement is that after completing the Ph.D thesis, a copy is given to COE's office to check for plagiarism. We are using the free software given by UGC, URKUND. If the thesis is already put through, URKUND, it stores the information and the plagiarism check conducted by the COE's Office would show very high level of plagiarism. That is why we are suggesting that our students and teachers do not put the thesis in the plagiarism check software before they submit the thesis. The students are given a chance to relook the part in which plagiarism is deducted. If the student and Supervisor assure that there is no plagiarism, we accept the thesis.

I think this facility gives an opportunity for the teachers and students to revise and resubmit the thesis. As stated by Dr. S. Manivasakan, we will extend this facility to our M.Phil and M.A Students so that plagiarism will be prevented at the entry level. Many of the members are aware that we are uploading the completed thesis in the electronic repository INFLIBNET- Shodhganga. I request the students and teachers to be very careful. Plagiarism is not happening without the knowledge of students and guides. Since examination evaluation is done by the COE, we consider the best way to check for plagiarism is at COE Office. As far as I know, students and teachers are not facing any hurdles. Let us see how this works!

XXXVI. Dr. K. Thirusangu: Honble Chairman, Respected Registrar-in-charge and members of this August House, almost all the courses are conducted in semester mode. As far as M.Phil course is concerned you have given time to admit students till 31st August and the examinations are again conducted in the next year August and the dissertations are allowed to submit upto October and then declaring the results. An almost student has to spend two academic years. Examinations may be conducted atleast in May and the students can get their degrees at the earliest. This is my humble submission to this house.

The Vice-Chancellor: It is not correct M.Phil admission is usually completed by August 31st and the dissertation has to be submitted by next year 30th November without penalty.

XXXVII. Dr. (Mrs) Hanifa Ghosh: Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, hon'ble Registrar i/c and members of this August Body. I want to talk about one particular issue which is affecting many Colleges i.e., Permanent Affiliation. We are happy with the vision of the Vice-Chancellor making our University as one of the best five in India. But at the sometime I think we should look into the problems of the Affiliated Colleges. Many Colleges are facing a lot of problems because we are not able to get permanent affiliation. We have fulfilled all the norms and we have satisfied all the requirements, we have been waiting for a very long time but we have not heard anything. As a result we are finding it difficult even to get 2 and 12-b recognition and even Autonomy. I therefore request you to look into the matter.

The Vice-Chancellor: So far, there are very few cases pending for granting Permanent Affiliation. That too because some certificates are not submitted. We assure you that it will be granted without undue delay.

XXXVIII. Dr. M. Venkataraman: Most respected Chairman, Registrar i/c, COE i/c and my dear members of the August Body with regard to Plagiarism that I would like to clarify, have you got any period specified for the plagiarism should be there or not. Suppose you identified the plagiarism after awarding degree what would be action taken on that. I want the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to please give us the period about it secondly, Dr. Rita John Physics is concerned it not only in Physics but also in many subjects. You take up B.Com Corporate Accounting and Finance, B.Com Corporate Secretaryship and so on and M.Com and so on. Even the nomenclature would be Commence and the concerned subject would be mentioned on that.

The Vice-Chancellor: Under existing regulations, even after award of Ph.D Degree, we have the power to withdraw the degree, if any plagiarism is found in the thesis. But we cannot take up all past theses for plagiarism check. Regarding the nomenclature, as I said in my introductory remarks, students are facing lot of problems. Very often requests come from TNPSC to establish equivalence, even though we are awarding degrees based on the UGC norms. I would request the Chairman, Boards of Studies of interdisciplinary courses to meet with the conventional course Boards of Studies Chairman and sort out the problem. As per the TNPSC Criteria, 75% of the core course must be same with the existing TNPSC Programme.

XXXIX. Dr. G. Ravindran: Respected Chairperson and Members of the Academic Council, there is one word in English which has no substitute, when you like someone's aims and policies, they say in Europe "KUDOS" I am delighted after so many years of struggle we have expressed in the same hall. I am delighted to be present in this meeting for several reasons. For the first time we have something like hand book which indicates that there is commonality in terms of Regulations. Nobody thought about it. Everybody was talking but not in reality. Congratulations. This is the way to go and if we are going to have this clarity in supporting the Vice-Chancellor I think the Vice-Chancellor's dream of getting highest possible rank not within five levels but even the first rank is possible. Congratulations, I see clarity in his approach because ever since he assumed office he is very clear about one thing i.e. falling in time with bench mark and as determined by MHRD and UGC and his 10 point vision you have done wonderful thing, meaning full thing, in this Academic Council by including UGC's Regulations for M.Phil and Ph.D. I have one suggestion we have to also adopt four amendments of the common standards of UGC Regulations 2010. This house has not adopted since 2010. The recent one is the Common Minimum Standard fourth amendment 2016. I am sure that you will adopt it in the coming meetings. The second important piece of UGC Regulations 2016 has come out. My concern is how we are going to have MoUs etc. I request our Vice-Chancellor to consider that also.

The Vice-Chancellor: We adopted 2010 Minimum Standards of Qualifications for appointment of teachers in the Affiliated Colleges and Universities and adopt all four amendments to 2010 Regulations. UGC's 2016 Regulations on qualification for appointment of teachers will be out soon and we will follow the new regulation for those qualify for promotion from January 1St 2016 onwards depending upon transitory provision in the Regulations.

XL. Dr. V. G. Vijayalakshmi: Respected Chairperson and Members of the August Body, regarding the issue raised by Dr. T. Balachander, Business Taxation should be replaced with new act called Service Act. I think even the Central Excise Department should be called as GST Department because now the TNGST, CST, Service Tax, Additional Tax which are all no more existing. It is being replaced by on ACT GST. It is in all Commerce subjects. As Dr. Venkataraman pointed out it has come with different names it is common to Commerce subjects with different names Bank Management which is coming for the fourth semester of B.Com and first semester of M.Com but it may be varied from one semester to another sometimes in other Commerce subjects since the new Act comes these are all not in existence. I referred to the Boards of Studies they are also drafting a paper called GST.

The Vice-Chancellor: we will ask the Commerce Board to look into it, and incorporate and bring it to the next Academic Council.

XLI. Thiru. J. Gandhiraj: Respected Vice-Chancellor, Respected Registrar, the COE and the Members of the Academic Council, good evening to everybody. I am happy that handbook on UG Common Regulations has given by the University. But in the fifth page of the UGC Regulations offered for the Affiliated Arts and Science Colleges for workload in the instructional hours it was given 4+2 for language with star for 2 hours and in the English 4+2 with asterisk. Under that it was given for star two hours for part IV basic Tamil/Advanced Tamil/Non-Major Elective Courses and for two hours under asterisk for Soft Skill Courses. Our College teachers are of the opinion that 6 hours has been reduced to 4 hours. We want to clarify from University, two hours given has to be engaged by whom and which teachers if we are given clarity then there will not be any confusion at all. What type of mechanism you are going to evolve? Secondly for the panel for examiners for Ph.D there was a letter received by guide in which it has been stated "I am by direction to request you submit fresh panel of international list from high ranking reputed University. Kindly clarify which are all high ranking University.

The Vice-Chancellor: We have not changed the hours of teaching and this has been adopted from the existing regulation which has already been accepted by the colleges. The Panel of examiners given by some guides for Ph.D evaluation are not acceptable and so we ask for a fresh Panel of examiners.

XLII. Dr. R. Ramesh Kumar: Respected Chairman, Respected Registrar, COE and members of the Academic Council. I am a new member for this Forum. I would like to offer a small suggestion. We have been coming across lot of changes in the curriculum and trends like GST. I request the Vice-Chancellor to have a

Seminar/Symposia/Workshop in collaboration with University so as to facilitate Affiliated Colleges by providing some technical support etc. this is my humble request.

Dr. N. Mathivanan: Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Respected Registrar and members of this Academic Body, good evening. Because of time,. I do not want to talk much. However, I will briefly tell 4 points which I have observed. First regarding Syllabus it is revised. But if you look at the reference and text books, it has not been updated. Some of the books which have been there for the past 10 years. So we need to give updated reference books atleast recent books so that we can achieve academic excellence. Secondly, years are not there. How they can go and find out the books?. I therefore, request the Vice-Chancellor to give direction to the Boards of Studies to take care of the small mistakes because we are approving the Syllabus, this is a matter of quality. Thirdly, I want to emphasise with regard to plagiarism. In science subjects like Botany, certain words ie., Plants name will be repeatedly occurring in many places. Botanical names wherever you go throughout the world it is same likewise research in biodiversity in western Ghats and Easter Ghats plants names are the same. If we record in the thesis in many places the names will be reflected. If you need the software it will show some 20% plagiarism. In that case by case you can invite the attention of the Board of Studies.

Recently, I came across a case which I request the Vice-Chancellor to take care of this coming to Viva examination. One examiner should be a person who evaluated the thesis. Even in the previous meeting Prof. G. Ravindiran has pointed out that University is insisting to give examiners panel from Chennai city. We are finding it very difficult to identify specialist is particular specialization. Then we are compromising to invite expert from Chennai city and it is a kind of formality. If you consider the quality point of view we should be allowed to invite from other states that will give us an opportunity for cross talking so that we could know what type of research is going on elsewhere also.

The Vice-Chancellor: About the references and updating of the Syllabus, it is the responsibility of the Chairman of the Board of Studies to see that current developments are incorporated. Now, we have reconstituted the Boards of Studies. We will ask all the Chairmen to pay attention and include recent references etc. About the plagiarism as I said earlier we must find out where this is happening. If there is no plagiarism, we accept the thesis. We cannot refer every case to the Board of Studies.

XLIII. Dr. A. Joseph Durai: Respected Chairman, Registrar and hon'ble members, I would like to point out that in the Regulations in page 22 where classification Part-I, Part-II, Part-III, Part-IV and Part-V has been given. Now in the new revised Syllabus for the Environmental Studies Programme it has been mentioned as ability enhancement computer course which is not in our frame work. If you see the UGC Regulations 2015-2016 classification was given as core course, Genetic Course, Skill Enhancement Course, Ability Enhancement Course.

classification, we are bringing Ability Enhancement Course in this framework. Secondly our college has also applied for Permanent Affiliation and awaiting orders.

The Vice-Chancellor: We will update the Environmental Course with the new course.

XLIV. Dr. M. Abdul Rahim: Respected Chairman and hon'ble members, this is regarding Item No.11.1. I welcome the good decision of the University to implement the UGC Guidelines especially reducing the percentage of marks for certain category of students. Actually this will help the students from socially weaker sections. Sir, we have already completed the admission for M.Phil course. We do have applications from SC/ST or those who have got more than 50% and less than 55% marks this year. Every some of the students they got through the entrance examinations also. But we have not admitted those students this year because at the time of admission our University has not implemented the UGC guidelines. Now there are few seats vacant due to various reasons in some of the M.Phil programs. I request the University that students who have denied their opportunity otherwise eligible should be allowed to admit in the current year itself. I raise this issue based on two reasons. 1) This implementation of the UGC guidelines was already published in the Government of India Gazette on 5th May 2016 itself. But we are implementing now only. Students who have already passed the postgraduate course in 2016 already denied their chance in our University and again this year denied their chance. It is almost two years. They are going to waste. 2) Another reason even in our colleges M.Phil student submit thesis in September in the subsequent year of admission. They will have one full year duration. You can allow the students in the present academic year itself. This exemption is applicable only for those who have already applied and denied as a special case. Another thing, Madurai Kamaraj University implemented well in advance. Because of all these reasons. I once again request the University to consider my request and allow the students to be admitted in the current academic year.

The Vice-Chancellor: We are adopting this regulation now only. We cannot implement retrospectively. It will be effective from 2018-2019 onwards. The last date for admission was already over. Now we cannot admit students.

1 am very much thankful to all the members for extending co-operation for the smooth conduct of the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 12.30 P.M

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