

28th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Date: 3rd DECEMBER 2021

Venue: HBNI Council Hall & ONLINE

Time: 14.30 hrs



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The following members were present during the meeting held in hybrid mode at HBNI Council Hall and online on Webex platform on 3rd December 2021 at 14:30 hrs:

Members:

Prof. P.R. Vasudeva Rao, Vice Chancellor	Chairman
Prof. P.D. Naik, Dean, HBNI	Member
Prof. Indranil Manna, Vice Chancellor, BITS Ranchi	Member
Prof. J. B. Udgaonkar, Director, IISER, Pune	Member
Prof. E. D. Jemmis, Professor, IISc, Bangalore	Member
Prof. B. Venkatraman, Director, IGCAR	Member
Shri S. V. Nakhe, Director, RRCAT	Member
Prof. Sumit Som, Director, VECC	Member
Prof. Gautam Bhattacharyya, Director, SINP	Member
Prof. Shashank Chaturvedi, Director, IPR	Member
Prof. V. Ravindran, Director, IMSc	Member
Prof. Sudhakar Panda, Director, NISER	Member
Prof. K. K. Nanda, Director, IoP	Member
Prof. V. Kain, Director, Material Science Group, BARC	Member
Prof. B. Mohanty, Convenor, BoS (Integrated Masters Prog)	Member
Prof. R.B. Grover, Convenor, BoS (Applied Systems Analysis)	Member
Prof. S.M. Yusuf, Convenor BoS (Physical Sci.)	Member
Prof. A.P. Tiwari, Convenor, BoS (Engineering Sci.)	Member
Prof. S. Kannan, Convenor, BoS (Chemical Sci.)	Member
Prof. Meena Mahajan, Convenor, BoS (Mathematical Sci.)	Member
Prof. S. D. Banavali, Convenor, BoS (Medical & Health Sci.)	Member
Prof. Prasanna Venkatraman, Convenor, BoS (Life Sci.)	Member
Prof. D. K. Maity, Associate Dean & Officiating Registrar	Secretary

Permanent Invitees:

Prof. A.K. Dureja, Associate Dean, HBNI
 Prof. B.K. Dutta, Institute Chair Professor, HBNI
 Prof. B. S. Tomar, Institute Chair Professor, HBNI
 Prof. S. K. Ghosh, Associate Dean, HBNI
 Prof. G Ravikumar, Associate Dean, HBNI
 Prof. T. K. Ghanty, Dean Academic, Chemical Sci., BARC
 Prof. Hema Rajaram, Dean Academic, Life Sci., BARC
 Prof. R. Tewari, Dean Academic, Engg Sci.-I, BARC
 Prof. S. Mukhopadhyay, Dean Academic, Engg Sci.-II, BARC
 Prof. Sandip Basu, Dean Academic, Health Sciences, BARC
 Prof. A. Mani, Dean Academic, Physical Sciences, IGCAR

Council approved this proposal and expressed that it was a good initiative to conduct this course by central office as many CI/OCC do not have resource persons to teach module A & B of this course.

2.3 HBNI-Industry Linkage Cell

Prof. Naik informed the members about the recent initiative of HBNI regarding internship of HBNI Ph.D. students upto 6 months in Industrial R&D laboratories so that skill and job opportunities are created for interested students. He mentioned that this initiative is in the line of recommendations by UGC as well as NEP-2020 to take appropriate measures to form linkage with industries for the mutual benefits. He explained that HBNI has taken the initiative and proposed to form a HBNI-Industry Linkage Cell. The Cell will facilitate internship at industry, research collaboration between HBNI faculty and R & D centers of industry and consultancy to industry by superannuated faculty members and other domain experts from DAE. He highlighted the key aspects of the scheme (Annexure-3) and sought suggestions of the council. VC added that academic extension may be permitted for the time duration of internship. However, no fellowship will be provided by DAE during internship and it should be covered by the Industry. He also informed that some Industrial organisations have expressed keen interest to accept doctoral students from HBNI for such internship.

The Council welcomed the proposal for enhancing interactions with industry and also approved the proposal to provide an academic break of upto 6 months to Ph.D students of HBNI to engage with industry in an appropriate format. HBNI will work out a detailed scheme for the same and obtain approval of Council of Management.

2.4 Revision of Academic ordinances

Prof. B. K. Dutta, HBNI informed the council that the last version of Academic Ordinances was issued in December 2018 after discussions at several stages. Since then UGC has issued many new circulars and guidelines. HBNI has also introduced many new academic programs. Hence, the revision of academic ordinances is required. The process has been started and in due course of time it will be placed before Academic Council for suggestions. Finally, approval of CoM will be sought. Prof. Dutta informed the Council that inputs for the updating the ordinances have been sought from Deans (Academic). He requested that the inputs may be expedited so that the work of revision of the ordinances could be taken up at the earliest.

Academic Council agreed to the proposal.

2.5 HBNI Affiliation in Publications

Prof. Vasudeva Rao informed that as per the previous recommendations of Academic Council, affiliation of HBNI by its faculty members and students are cited by one of the two options – Option-1: ‘full form of HBNI’; Option-2: only ‘HBNI’ (as shown in Annexure-4). To have the uniformity in the HBNI publications and also to satisfy the requirements of various statutory bodies, it is proposed that in all future publications, HBNI affiliation may be cited as per Option-1.