MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 49TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL

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(Viii) Approval of the Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE) Emblem

The Council noted that the renaming of Institute of Distance Education (IDE) to Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE) of the university has already approved by the Academic Council in its 48th meeting and by the Executive Council in its 59th Meeting. In continuation of that, a new emblem of CDOE has been designed.

The Council approved the new emblem of CDOE in principle, with modifications as discussed during the meeting. The same shall be placed in the upcoming meeting of the Executive Council for deliberation and approval.

(ix) Approval of Syllabi of Departments/Institutes through circulation mode

The Council recognized the need to prepare new syllabi of the Departments/Institutes of the university through circulation mode, given the constraints of time and resources.

The Council perused and approved the syllabi through circulation mode.

(x) Evaluation and Remuneration of Ph. D. Thesis

The Council observed that the university has been receiving the recommendations from external experts for the evaluation of submitted Ph. D. theses only after significant delays, even after multiple reminders and phone calls. This has resulted in a delay in the awarding of Ph. D. Degree to students, ultimately impacting the university's ability to admit new students in a timely manner. The students, in particular, are the ones most affected by these delays.

The Academic Council discussed this issue in detail and decided that, henceforth, a confirmation will be obtained from the external expert before sending the Ph. D. thesis. The expert will be requested to provide their recommendation within 30 (thirty) days of receiving the thesis. A reminder/confirmation letter should be sent after 15 (fifteen) days, and on expiry of 30 (thirty) days duration the thesis may be sent to another external expert.

It was also resolved that the honorarium for evaluating of Ph. D. theses will be verified by the Examinations Branch. If the remuneration has not been enhanced recently, a proposal for enhancement will be prepared by the Examinations Branch and submitted to the Academic Council and Executive Council for discussion and consideration.

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