

Minutes of 23rd meeting of Academic Council: 7th November 2022

The following were present at the meeting:

- 1 Dr. S. Sundar Manoharan, Chairman
- 2 Dr. Indira Parikh - ONLINE Presence
- 3 Dr. V. P. Sharma - ONLINE Presence
- 4 Dr. S. A. Bari - ONLINE Presence
- 5 Dr. J. V. Kelkar - ONLINE Presence
- 6 Dr. Dhaval Pujara
- 7 Dr. Anirbid Sircar
- 8 Dr. Nigam Dave
- 9 Dr Shubhasheesh Bhattacharya
- 10 Dr. T. P. Singh
- 11 Dr. Rajesh Patel
- 12 Dr. Vivek Pandya
- 13 Prof. S. S. Kachhwaha
- 14 Dr. Indrajit Mukhopadhyay
- 15 Dr. Ritu Sharma
- 16 Prof. Tarun Shah

Dr. S. Sundar Manoharan - Director General & Council Chairman extended a cordial welcome to the members. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up in seriatim for discussion.

1/23: To confirm the Minutes of the previous Meetings of the Council held on 29th April and 27th August, 2022 respectively.

Resolved that the minutes of previous meeting of Academic Council held on 29th April and 27th August 2022 be confirmed.

2/23: To consider the following Action Taken Report on the decisions taken at the previous meetings i.e. 21st Meeting held on 29/04/2022 and 22nd Meeting held on 27/08/2022:

Agenda No.	Particulars of decision	Action Taken
1/21	Minutes of the 20 th meeting of Academic Council were confirmed.	Noted.
2/21	Noted and approved the Action Taken Report of the 19 th meeting.	Noted & implemented.

3/21	<p>To discuss the reorganization of Academic Departments/Schools w. r. t. the name change of the University from Petroleum to Energy.</p> <p><i>It is also advised to develop capability and therefore to prepare detail charter for every Dept./CoE towards realizing focal theme i. e. Energy. Prof. Bari expressed that the University is well ahead of New Education Policy. The way forward requires to think loudly with rigorous planning to serve the purpose of re-organization of Dept./Schools. It does not require shifting of Labs and other infrastructures.</i></p> <p><i>It was also expressed that School of Petroleum Management should be renamed as School of Energy Management.</i></p> <p><i>The Director General also shared that the Board Chairman is quite enthusiastic and interested to handhold this new format of Engg. Schools/Depts.. This will also add as strategic move to tap the resources from Industry and Government. He called for spirited involvement of the HoDs for further action on re-structuring of Dept./Schools.</i></p>	<p>Reorganization of Engg. Schools / Deptts. implemented as approved by the BoG.</p>
1/22	<p>Review of renaming the School of Petroleum Management (SPM)</p> <p><i>At the start of the meeting, the Director General of the University mentioned the background that the Board of Governors in its meeting sought for the re-organization of the Academic Deptt./ Schools, in support of achieving the mandate of the University as Energy University, should not remain confined merely to the Petroleum, rather it should broaden its functioning in different areas of Energy Education and Research.</i></p> <p><i>Prof. Paliwal told that changing the name of the school as Energy School may be viewed limitedly as the programs on Energy Conservation / Energy Audit only.</i></p> <p><i>Prof. Kachhwaha viewed that the SPM name should be continued as it is, as it would be very hard for building the brand due to the name change. Prof. Mukhopadhyay opined that SPM now should reflect the perspective of Energy in its name.</i></p> <p><i>Prof. Kelkar (RIL) viewed that name of the school should be reflective of character of energy. Dr. V. P. Sharma (ISM – Dhanbad) recommended to change the name of the school without losing the acronym of SPM, the way ISM Dhanbad got changed with name “IIT (ISM)”. Dr. Indira Parikh (IIM-A) viewed that if we change the name, the curriculum also should be changed; then the name should be kept the same if we are continuing with the same present academic offerings.</i></p>	<p>The Standing Committee has recommended to rename SPM as ‘School of Management’, to the Board of Governors.</p>

	<p><i>The DG stated that all efforts would be from the University not to let SPM face trouble in case of its name-change. The Board is also looking the scene with macro perspective. He opined that even presently Energy & Infrastructure part is contained in SPM Programs, so there is no harm in changing its name with the term “Energy”. We should look at the thing with telescopic view rather microscopic, with overall transformation viewpoint.</i></p> <p><i>Dr. Indira Parikh expressed that in an education institute the quality of academic programs matters the most, so the name change may not have adverse impact. She also told that the agenda point of the name change is indeed a dilemma for us.</i></p> <p><i>The Director General concluded that all suggestions made at the meeting will be examined by the internal stake holders, the Standing Committee and also the Board.</i></p>	
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Resolved to consider the Action Taken Report as mentioned above.

3/23: To ratify various approvals granted by the Director General u/s 20 (3) of the PDPU Act, as mentioned in the Annex. – 2.

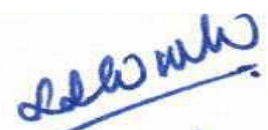
Resolved to ratify the approvals granted by the Director General u/s 20 (3) of PDPU Act.

4/23: To approve the list of the students who have successfully completed the respective academic programme, for conferring upon them the respective Degree/Diploma at the 10th Convocation to be held on 22nd November, 2022, as mentioned in the Annex. – 3.

Resolved to approve the list of the 1659 students who completed successfully the respective academic programmes, for conferring upon them the respective Degree/Diploma at the 10th Convocation to be held on 22/11/2022.



Registrar



Director General